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High School Students Rally Against Question 3



A GROUP OF 40 Agawam High School students, along with Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, rallied at Agawam Town Hall on Monday against Ballot Question 3. The students said passage of the controversial ballot question would devastate public education around the state and in Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Pumpkins Donated To Shriners Hospital



UNLOADING PUMPKINS DONATED BY E. Cecchi Farm on Springfield Street to the children of the Springfield Shriners Hospital are Tim Tracy, Michael Cecchi and Bobby Cecchi. Related photo inside. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Mayor Outlines Reductions If "3" Passes Tuesday

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Reduce. Unavailable. Delay. Eliminate. Those were the often repeated words that some 75 people - a preponderance of them town administrators, local legislators, and municipal employees - heard during a 70 minute presentation on the potential impact of Question 3 - the CLT (Citizens for Limited Taxation) referendum question coming in for a vote this Tuesday, November 6th.

The presentation was orchestrated and delivered by Mayor Christopher Johnson at the Agawam Junior High School. Johnson also prepared detailed "impact statements" defining where and what cuts would likely be and the result of those cuts on community services.

Department by department, he repeated another pair of words: personnel cuts.

In terms of police services, the cuts would shorten the roster and reduce special functions such as the Detective Bureau, Traffic and Safety officers, the D.A.R.E. program officer and records division. In addition, cuts that hit the state police will also kick back on communities such as Agawam, since this town utilizes state police in many special investigative situations including rape cases, Johnson noted.

The Fire Department is in double jeopardy, since many of its EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians) who staff the city ambulance are also low on the seniority list and would number among the first to be laid off if Question 3 comes home to roost.

Building Maintenance would be curtailed, a short term gain with a long-term negative impact on the life of municipally owned buildings, Johnson explained.

In addition, night use of buildings by outside groups would be curtailed or eliminated for cost reasons.

Johnson referred to the Middle East Crisis and the recent hikes in energy costs as further complications to the Question 3 scenario.

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Agawam Lions Country Breakfast

The Agawam Lions Club are hosting an old-fashioned New England Country Breakfast on Sunday, November 4th, from 8:00 a.m. to noontime, at the Agawam Middle School. Tickets for this Harvest Breakfast are available from any club member or at the door on Sunday.

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Johnson also cited cutbacks in fuel aid and health programs that would impact the city's elderly population, of which some 400 utilize fuel assistance and/or welfare services. Fuel assistance has already taken a 60 percent cut on the state level and could be "eliminated completely" if Question 3 passes, Johnson asserted.

Passage of Question 3 would reduce state local aid by \$1.46 million, according to Department of Revenue estimates. The impact of that cut, coming in mid-fiscal year, would be magnified, he noted.

Question 3 - which would become law - would reduce income taxes to a 4.25 percent rate in 1991 and to 4.6 percent in 1992, to offset the increases of the past three years, Johnson explained. Taxable income under Question 3 does not include state bank interest, pension and annuity income, rental income, unemployment compensation, and IRA/Keogh contributions which would be taxed at five percent.

Question 3 would also reduce fees to levels as of June 30th, 1988; establish new fee setting procedures with a fee cap equal to cost of service; require State Legislature approval of all fees; and exempt persons age 65 and over from all fees.

Some taxes would be reduced to August 2nd, 1989 levels, including individual (Chap. 62) income taxes, corporate taxes, cigarette and alcoholic beverage taxes, deed and estate taxes, gas and sales taxes, use tax, room occupancy, motor vehicle excise and utility company taxes, and taxes on raffles, bazaars, horse/dog racing, and taxes on boxing matches.

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BOARD OF APPEALS

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bidding forms and specifications for furnishing Snow Plowing Services to the Town of Agawam may be obtained at the Department of Public Works office, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001. Such services include plowing streets, parking lots and drives, and sidewalks. Bid documents may be obtained from October 31, 1990 until November 13, 1990. Sealed bids for furnishing Snow Plowing Services will be received at the Department of Public Works office, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01001 until 2:30 p.m. on November 14, 1990, at which time the bid

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duly submitted will be opened and read aloud.

The Mayor of Agawam will ordinarily make an award or reject all bids received on this bid.

The Town of Agawam reserves the right to reject any bid in whole or in any part and to accept any bid in whole or in any part if deemed in the best interest of the Town.

Attention is called to the minimum wage rates to be paid on the work as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Industries under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 149, Sections 26 to 27G, inclusive.

All bids for this project are subject to the provisions of General Laws, (Ter. ED.) Chapter 30, Sections 30M, inclusive as amended.

Candidates Gather At Republican Rally



THE AGAWAM REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE sponsored an Old Fashioned Political Rally on Saturday night the Agawam Public Library. From left - State Rep. Michael P. Walsh (D); William Bennett (D), candidate for DA; James Taylor (R), candidate for state rep.; Thomas Moriarty (D), candidate for Register of Probate; Roger French (R), candidate for Register of Probate; and Philip Castleman (R), candidate for DA. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Editorial

Bill Bennett Again Is Best Choice To Run DA's Office

After defeating three Democratic opponents in a hotly contested September Primary, William Bennett will now face Republican Philip Castleman on Tuesday, November 6th, in the race for the Hampden County District Attorney's Office.

As we did prior to the September Primary, we still maintain Bennett is best suited to reorganize and restructure the Hampden County's DA's Office.

Bennett has conducted his entire campaign with dignity and with issues in mind. He has run a campaign from the ground up. He has scheduled and has attended many, many coffee hours in the homes of voters to spread his message of change, leadership, and professional competence in the county's most important law enforcement position.

He has run a tireless schedule and has been available whenever necessary to discuss the issues with voters.

Bennett is renowned for his ability as a trial lawyer, and has effectively forwarded proposals for the DA's Office that, when put into practice, will benefit the entire law enforcement structure in all of Hampden County's cities and towns.

He has pledged to be an anti-drug DA and has promised to wage a vigorous war on drugs in our cities and towns. He also understands the great importance of drug prevention programs such as the popular and successful Project D.A.R.E. in Agawam. Bennett even received the endorsement of Wayne Macey's, Agawam's well-known D.A.R.E. coordinator.

Bennett has promised to open the DA's Office to the media and the public, and to be readily accessible to his constituents.

Throughout the campaign Bennett has tactfully promised to restore the public's faith and confidence in the Hampden County District Attorney's Office.

We believe the Hall Of Justice in Springfield will be served well by William Bennett and we again hope the voters in Agawam will help push him to the winner's circle as they did in the September Primary.

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Question 3 Is No Good For State

Like many businesses in Massachusetts, we are angry about what has happened to our once-thriving economy.

We are tired of taxes and more taxes. We are tired about more rules and regulations imposed by government.

When Citizens For Limited Taxation wrote Ballot Question 3 some 18 months ago, many businesses (us included) were cheering that CLT had scored another winner, similar to the implementation of Proposition 2½ back in 1981.

But things have changed in 18 months. The state's economy is in deep recession. The delivery of essential services—police, fire, public works, health care, and very importantly, education—are in serious trouble. Cutbacks, more cutbacks, and the implementation of a fee schedule and higher income taxes still have yet to ebb the strong current of a worsening economy.

The intention of the CLT Ballot Question 3 to roll back taxes is good in theory. But under the current circumstances, chaos will reign in

Massachusetts, especially on the cities and towns if Question 3 passes.

We loathe big government and the "big brother" mentality of government in this state. We feel the road to economic recovery will gradually occur. Simply passing Question 3 on Tuesday will not change how the government functions in Boston. It WILL seriously damage what we now have at the expense of education, health care, housing, police and fire protection, and public works.

Question 3's passage will cost jobs. No one at CLT has said where the cuts should be, only that government is running out of control and there's plenty of money around. We do not believe the essential services in this state will see all that money if Question 3 passes on Tuesday.

It's like a loose cannon on deck. We sincerely hope it fails on Tuesday and a new state administration can restructure government under some semblance of order and not some whirlpool of financial chaos.

not be measured.

Also I would like to thank Terri Hill, Dave & Carolyn Page, Ken Kelleher, Steve Olson, Ernie & Dianne Musa, Rich & Chris Skowron, Phil Kimball, Joan Bobrowski, and all those who donated time in the Concession Stand.

I would like to thank the fine coaching staffs of both divisions. Special thanks to Mayor Christopher Johnson, Jack Kunasek, Mike Piccin, and Gary Desimone of the Ground Department, Mike Walsh, Dean Vecchiarelli and staff, Louis Draghetti, Ric Sardella, and Jack Devine.

SEE FOOTBALL - Page 5...



Letters To The Editor

Youth Football President Heralds Great 1990 Season

To The Editor:

I would like to take this time to thank all the football players from both the Junior and Senior Divisions. Your desire and dedication has been an inspiration to all of us who have had the opportunity to watch you play. You have kept your heads up, and have gone beyond what has been expected of you.

This program was started for you, one season ago, to teach you the game of football, so you could go out on the field and represent our fine Town of Agawam, to shape you physically and mentally, and prepare you to become the fine men that you are. You have made this town proud, and you have brought back the winning tradition in Agawam football, that I hope will last for years to come.

The dream has become reality thanks to 75 young champions who have gone the distance, and proved that hard work can pay off.

What started out as a dream has become a reality as Agawam Youth Football has climbed to the top of the ladder. It took a lot of hard work, and I would like to thank so many of you who have sacrificed your time and energy the past two seasons.

First and foremost, I would like to thank Marlene Virella, head of the fundraisers, who has done an outstanding job this year. Her hard work and energy was never-ending. Her value to this organization can-

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STATE GENERAL ELECTION
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Wednesday, November 7th
Town Council Meeting
Agawam Public Library
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Thursday, November 8th
Agawam Board Of Appeals
Agawam Public Library
7:30 P.M.

Monday, November 12th
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Also, I would like to thank the Agawam Youth Cheerleaders who did a great job and cheered us to victory.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, and the parents and patrons who supported us the past two seasons.

My special thanks to Frank Disco who has been such a great help these past two seasons, and who is largely responsible for our great announcement booth this year.

Thanks to all, and I look forward to serving you next season.

Sincerely yours,
Frank J. Andruss, President
Agawam Youth Football Association

Pietroniro Family Gives Update On Son's Condition

To The Editor:

We would just like to update you regarding the condition of four year-old Michael Pietroniro, son of Agawam firefighter, E.M.T. Vincent Pietroniro and his wife, Carol, of 178 North West Street, Feeding Hills.

In April, a fundraiser was held to help the Pietroniro family defray some of the costs they have incurred during their four year search to help cure Michael of a serious and to date uncontrollable seizure disorder. Since the fundraiser, Michael has been hospitalized on four different occasions, the most recent being October 15th, in Children's Hospital, Boston.

On October 19th, doctors performed neuro-surgery on Michael to place grids on his brain in order to hopefully locate and localize where the seizures are centered and the portion of the brain they affect.

It was after this surgery that the Chief of the Boston Fire Department and two other firefighters visited Michael in his hospital room. There they presented him a number of firefighting accessories such as a fire helmet and stickers. However, the highlight was when they made Michael an "Honorary Member of the Boston Fire Department." Needless to say, he was in seventh heaven.

As of the writing of this article, Michael still remains at Boston Children's Hospital with his mother, Carol. Doctors are scheduled to remove the grids on October 31st at which time they are optimistic that they will be able to surgically eliminate the area where the majority of the seizures are centered. If you would like to write Michael, the address is **Michael Pietroniro, Children's Hospital, Room 9 North, 300 Longwood Avenue,**

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Boston, Massachusetts 02115-5737. Any type of card or letter would help brighten his day.

Hopefully, Michael will be home soon to enjoy the upcoming holiday season with his parents and the rest of his family: his sisters, Kimberly, 10, Jennier, 7, and his brother, James, 2½.

Your continued prayers and support of this courageous family is sincerely appreciated.

**The Vincent Pietroniro Family
Feeding Hills**

Democrats Happy With Candidates Breakfast

To The Editor:

To The Citizens Of Agawam:

Thank-you so much for your support of the "Meet the Candidates Breakfast" sponsored by the Agawam Democratic Committee. The breakfast at The Oaks was a successful fundraising event for the activities of the committee and a good opportunity to hear from political officeholders and candidates for office.

Special appreciation is offered to the local businesses and individuals who donated many gift certificates and other prizes for the raffle conducted during the evening to benefit the committee's scholarship fund. Also, special thanks are extended to citizens who supported the event by their attendance and by their generous personal contributions.

The committee also wishes to acknowledge the efforts of all those who worked to make the dinner dance so successful and to thank the local and state political leaders and other citizens who honored the event by their presence.

Sincerely,
Douglas Bodman, Ag. Dem. Comm. Chairman
Barbara Barton Dunn, Breakfast Planning Chairwoman
Ruth Zucco and Mark Maczka, Raffle Comm. Co-chairs

Firefighters Say Question 3 Will Hurt Town Ambulance

To The Editor:

A Yes vote on Question 3 will greatly affect public safety in Agawam; layoffs will be imminent. We can't afford to lose any more firefighters. We already have less men now than we did in 1970. Since that time the town has grown larger and the Fire Department has grown smaller.

If Question 3 passes, not only will we lose firefighters, we will also lose EMT's, which will threaten the existence of the Fire Department Am-

bulance. This will be critical to emergency care for our citizens.

The Fire Department ambulance has increased its capability to provide advance life support with the addition of a semi-automatic defibrillator, which the EMT's use to "shock" heart attack victims. The Agawam Fire Department Ambulance is the only fire department ambulance in the area that has this capability.

For the health and welfare of the Town of Agawam, the Agawam Firefighters urge all voters to vote NO on Question 3.

Agawam Firefighters Local 1973

Christie Rose Supporters Say Thanks For All Your Help

To The Editor:

On Saturday, September 15th, 1990 a fundraiser was held to help alleviate the financial burden faced by the family of Christie Rose Witaszek. As you know, Christie underwent surgery in June to remove a malignant brain tumor. We are pleased to say that Christie has completed her chemotherapy and she is halfway through her radiation treatments.

We would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU! From the moment we began planning the fundraiser, we enjoyed your support. We achieved our goal and experienced an outpouring of kindness and support. Christie's family can now concern themselves with providing her with the best care possible. They will not have to concern themselves with the financial implications of that care.

Please keep Christie in your prayers as she continues her treatments. Thank-you once again for everything you have done.

Sincerely,
Karen & Carl Roberts
Friends Of Christie Rose

How About Winning One For The Gipper - Us Taxpayers

To The Editor:

I am getting quite perturbed at the bleeding hearts and sobbing teachers - they have been crying and dripping tears with gobs of sob about the poor children, the equipment, books, no sports, etc.

I quote: "Question 3 would devastate education!"

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And they are threatening state reps. and senators if these elected people don't see their way. I quote again: "Let's not destroy the financial base of state government that still can provide vital support for the programs and services we need. And let's make sure we have the right people on Beacon Hill."

These threats are preposterous. How can the state's problems be overcome if the status quo is maintained? The state is now broke. The only way the state can survive is to cut government spending. Education included.

Opponents of this say: "It will be a long uphill climb in Question 3 passes."

The dilemma is - millions have been cut and there are promises more will be cut. How is the state going to get back to normal if something is not done? With all the sobbing and crying, the opponents of Question 3 have not offered even a semblance of how we can survive or how we can overcome this catastrophic situation. Why haven't Question 3 opponents made one proposal on how to overcome this ogre?

Question 3 opponents have asked, "What does the

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public think of education?" And they gloat that the public shows "great respect for education and great respect for educators."

The question that should be asked is where does the municipal employees and teachers, etc. (teachers are the biggest cry babies) think all this money is coming from? What do the teachers think of the poor kids they get paid to teach? How big are their hearts when all they have in mind is their jobs and their salaries? How about opening their hearts for the gipper, the people who pay the tab - the taxpayers? How about a respite for the bill payers?

The employees demand their raises constantly. How about giving? It is said "it is better to give than to receive."

All the weeding, poor mouthing, crying, and pleading is all one-sided for the municipal employees and the teachers. There's not one moan for the taxpayers.

The whole theme for the opponents of Question 3 is their headlines, threats to education, etc. These headline tactics have never rested on a solid foundation of truth or facts. The question remains - "Will kill-

ing Question 3 help the present terrible situation? NO IT WILL NOT! It will only worsen the problem. We don't have the money now to overcome our problems.

Killing Question 3 will not create the money to overcome this bad situation. Think of my solution. If all municipal employees, elected or otherwise, would go along without one 6 percent raise, the whole problem would vanish. The whole state budget, and those of the cities and towns is about 75 percent salaries.

One six percent or two six percent salary cuts will overcome the whole problem. We will be back on track with a balanced budget. There would be no layoffs. No one really would be hurt.

Again. How about one for the gipper - the taxpayers?

These groups have been bleeding the system for years - the unions, the teachers. Employee funds are being spent with reckless abandon.

This plan, given consideration, will hurt no one. If they give up a one-time raise of six percent, they will reap the benefits of the eight percent CLT cut. No one will get hurt by this process.

If the mayor of New York City can do it, why can't we? Imagine if we didn't have Proposition 2 1/2, what might our financial condition be?

Valentine R. Moreno
15 Florida Drive, Agawam

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Anthony Grimaldi, Acting Chairman

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, November 8, 1990, at 7:30 PM, in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, at the Agawam Police Station, 680 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, called to act upon the amendment to the petition of Ronald Champagne to perform work subject to the ACT on 36 Russo Circle, Agawam, Mass..

Henry Kozloski, Chairman

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
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PRECINCT 4 - Agawam Middle School, 68 Main St.
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PRECINCT 6 - James Clark School, 65 Oxford St., off South St.
PRECINCT 7 - Agawam Junior High School, 1305 Springfield St.

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- No. 6 - Free and equal broadcast time for candidates

Given under our hands this 6th day of AUG. 1990.

FELICE J. ARGINO
Constable

Oct. 23, 1990

Guest Editorial...

Some More Hidden Details Of CLT's Question 3

by the Massachusetts Teachers' Association

6. CLT AND THE HIGH TECH COUNCIL.

•WHAT IS CLT?

Citizens for Limited Taxation is an unincorporated association, formed in 1974 by a small group of hard-line conservatives. Its first executive director was Don Feder, now an arch-conservative columnist for the *Boston Herald*.

In the late 1970's, Feder, a staunch libertarian, was quoted as saying that "with all the paperback bookstores around, we don't need public libraries." He stated that the government existed to provide only three services: the police, the courts, and the military.

Feder was succeeded by Greg Hyatt, who disappeared from public life in 1986 when his brief bid for the Republican gubernatorial nomination ended following reports of bizarre behavior.

In July of 1980, Hyatt was succeeded at CLT by Barbara Anderson of Marblehead, a largely unknown figure on the political scene. Anderson's arrival four months before the decisive vote on Proposition 2½ propelled her into the limelight she has enjoyed for the past decade.

•HOW DID CLT WIN THE PROPOSITION 2½ CAMPAIGN?

CLT, which likes to describe itself as a movement of "average taxpayers," had raised only \$31,500 for the Proposition 2½ campaign when the Massachusetts High Technology Council came to the rescue. With the help of \$239,485 of the Council's money, CLT paid for a statewide TV blitz in the last two weeks of the campaign that turned a close race into a 59-41 percent victory.

•HOW MANY MEMBERS DOES CLT HAVE?

Anderson claims CLT has "about 10,000 members," but only a few hundred contributors were listed for CLT's 1986 state tax cap campaign.

•WHERE DID CLT GET THE REST OF ITS MONEY FOR THE 1986 CAMPAIGN?

Close to \$400,000 in contributions came from a handful of High Tech Council companies (see section on High Tech Council). This money fueled the TV campaign that helped CLT win in 1986.

•WHO WORKS FOR CLT?

The CLT staff is actually quite small. It includes:

- Barbara Anderson, who is CLT's executive director;
- Francis J. (Chip) Faulkner, who is associate director; and

- Elliott Savitz, a long-term CLT member, who serves as CLT's finance chairman, and finance chairman of CLT's political action committee.

Savitz was first hired by CLT approximately 10 years ago, when the group was in debt, and he arranged a 50-50 split of all fundraising proceeds. In recent years, his firm has received an even higher percentage.

•HOW MUCH MONEY GOES TO CLT AND SAVITZ?

From September 1st through December 31st, 1989, CLT's campaign for a state tax rollback—now Question 3—raised \$140,813 and took a \$22,904 loan from CLT. Of the \$160,967 expended during that period, Savitz's Direct Marketing firm received \$84,014; Consultant Peter Nicolai (Chairman of CLT's Board) received \$8,551; and the "CLT management fee" was \$50,522.

Result: \$143,087—or 83 percent—of all funds were spent on CLT and its paid staff.

In 1986, when CLT ran its campaign for a state tax cap, the campaign (again separate from CLT) raised \$235,095 from contributors, and received a loan of \$11,000 from CLT. Of that \$246,095, Savitz received \$130,770, while CLT's "management fee" totaled \$35,000.

Result: \$166,097—or 70 percent—of all funds were spent on CLT and its paid staff.

These figures don't even include all the money raised by CLT's PAC 2½, its political action committee.

•WHO'S REALLY BEHIND CLT?

One of the behind-the-scenes supporters of CLT is Michael Valerio, owner of Papa Gino's and until recently owner of WEEI-AM in Boston. Last fall, the *Boston Phoenix* ran a feature on Valerio, in which he was linked to a large number of major right-wing organizations in the United States. Valerio is president of Massachusetts Morality in Media, this state's branch of the right-wing organization known for at-

tempts at media censorship.

In 1980, Valerio gave CLT free office space above his downtown Boston Papa Gino's restaurant—and CLT is still there. Valerio even allowed CLT to place petitions for the Proposition 2½ signature-gathering campaign in his restaurants.

While CLT may indeed have "about 10,000 members," its campaign reporting forms filed with the Secretary of State's office indicate only a few hundred contributors of \$50 or more. The key base of CLT support remains the Massachusetts High Technology

Council.

•WHAT IS THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGH TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL?

The High Technology Council (HTC) was formed in 1977 with the two goals of (1) encouraging and attracting more high tech engineers to the Boston area; and (2) opposing high taxes.

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of financial institutions and related financial organizations. In a 1985 article, the *Boston Globe* profiled the HTC's Executive Committee and found that it consisted of 13 white men, with an average age of 53, and an average annual income of \$324,653 (not including stockholdings).

The HTC is a small operation. Aside from President Howard Foley, it employs Christopher Anderson (no known relative of Barbara) as its general counsel, and one other staffer.

•DOES THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL SPEAK FOR THE ENTIRE INDUSTRY?

Absolutely not. In August, the HCT voted to support Question 3, but there were serious splits in its ranks. Many high technology middle managers disagree with the HTC's political and economic agenda, and are speaking out. Employees of several high tech firms were reportedly outraged that their pay envelopes in August included a reminder to vote "YES" on Question 3.

•ISN'T HIGH TECHNOLOGY THE KEY TO THE STATE'S ECONOMY?

High technology currently accounts for 8 percent of the jobs in Massachusetts, and the number is declining, now that defense spending is being cut. High tech is important, but by no means the only key industry in this state. Our entire service economy is the foundation of this state's economic potential.

•WHAT'S THE HIGH TECH COUNCIL'S RELATIONSHIP WITH CLT?

Back in 1980, as mentioned earlier, the HTC bailed out CLT with a last-minute contribution of nearly \$240,000 to fuel the Proposition 2½ TV blitz that decided the election. Since then, the relationship has been extremely close.

In 1986, the HTC set up its own campaign committee separate from CLT - the Coalition for Responsible Tax Policy. That committee raised \$398,957 from 57 corporations including:

- \$16,000 each: Apollo Computer, Augat, Hewlett-Packard, Teradyne, Millipore, Data General, Prime Computer, Digital, Analog Devices, and Dynatech.

- \$15,000 each: Honeywell and GenRad.

- \$12,000 each: Unitrode, Bolt, Beranek and Newman, Arthur D. Little, Adams-Russell, and Lotus Development.

- Also, \$8,000: E.G&G; \$6,000: Cullinet Software; \$5,000: Thermo Electron; and \$4,000: Stratus Computer, Codex, and Compugraphic.

Given that CLT raised only \$235,000 for the campaign, the High Tech Council was clearly the major backer.

VFW & Legion Posts Set To Flag Graves Of Vets

In honor of deceased veterans, all marked veterans' graves in Agawam will be flagged. The VFW Post 1632 on South Street will flag the Agawam Center and Cooper Street cemeteries. American Legion Post 185 will flag Springfield Street and smaller cemeteries in Feeding Hills on Saturday, November 3rd and Sunday, November 4th.

Church services honoring all veterans will be held on Veterans' Day, Sunday, November 11th, at St. David's Episcopal Church, 522 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. The service is planned at 10:00 a.m. and all are welcome to join in honoring Agawam's veterans.

Immediately following church services the Memorial Committee and local service organizations will assemble at the Veterans War Memorial on Main Street to place a wreath and offer prayers in honor of deceased veterans.

Ag. Republican Committee Slates Meeting Nov. 3rd

The November meeting of the Agawam Republican Committee will be held on Saturday, November 3rd, at 8:00 a.m., at Oak Ridge Country Club.

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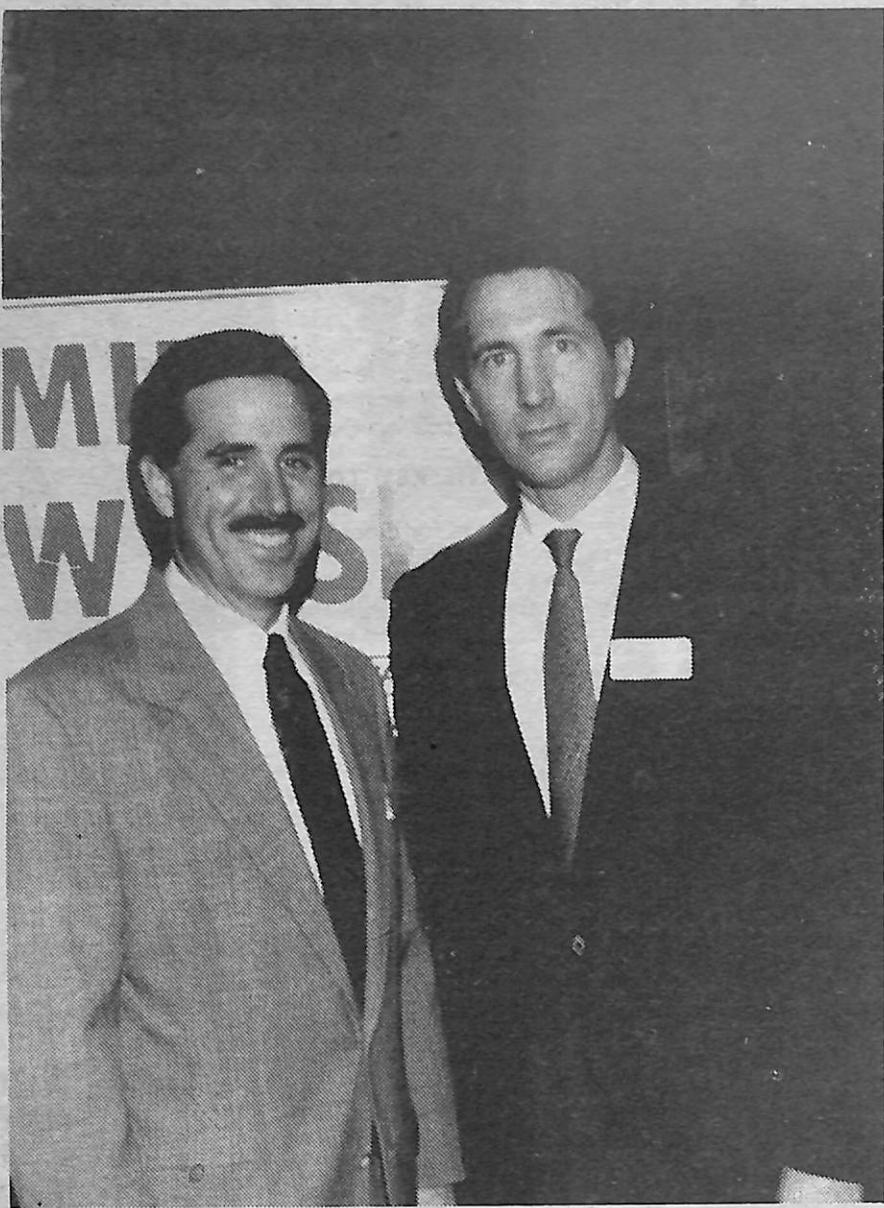
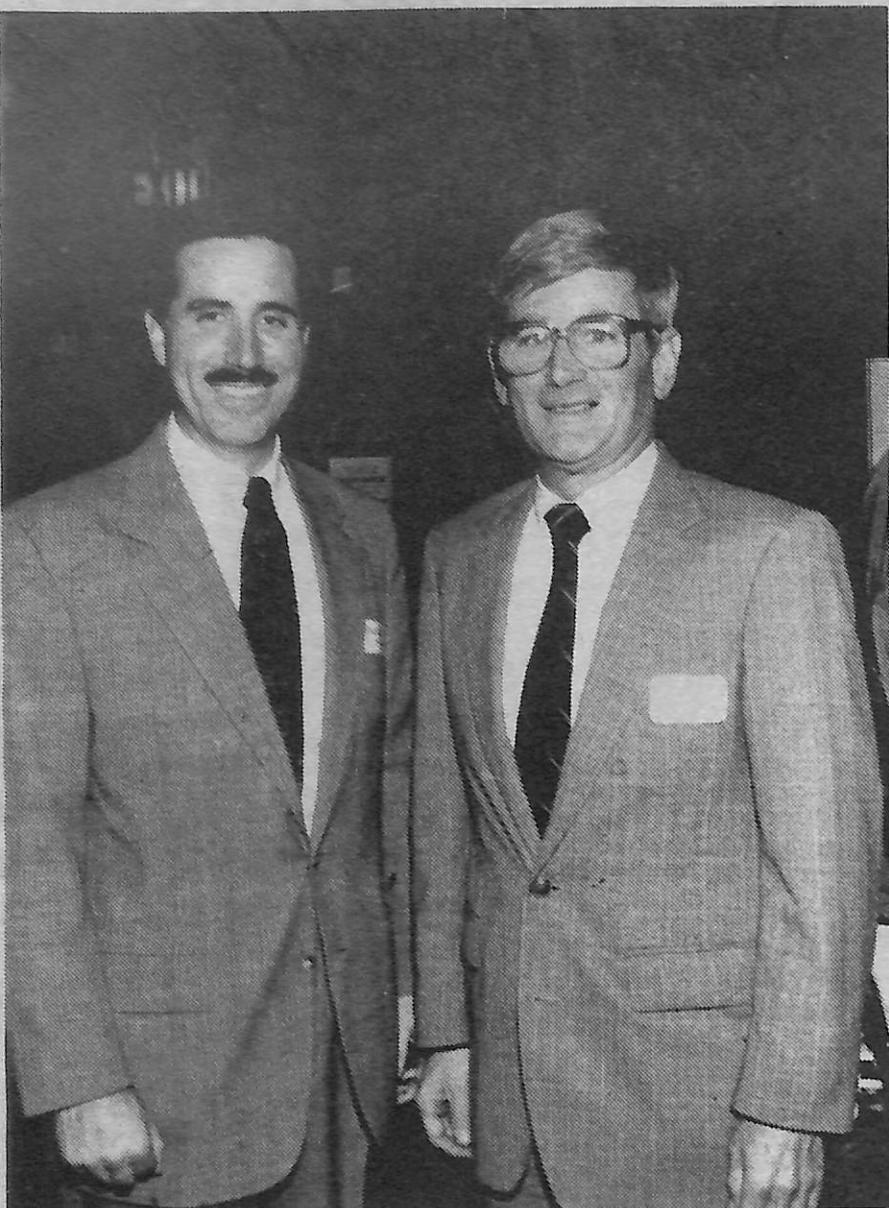
OVER 800 supporters attended the Annual Macaroni Family Supper sponsored by State Rep. Michael P. Walsh. The affair was held at the Polish American Club. Walsh is pictured above with supporters Jennie & Albert Juzba of Feeding Hills; IN PHOTO BELOW, Walsh is pictured with the Scherpa family. MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 9 and 10. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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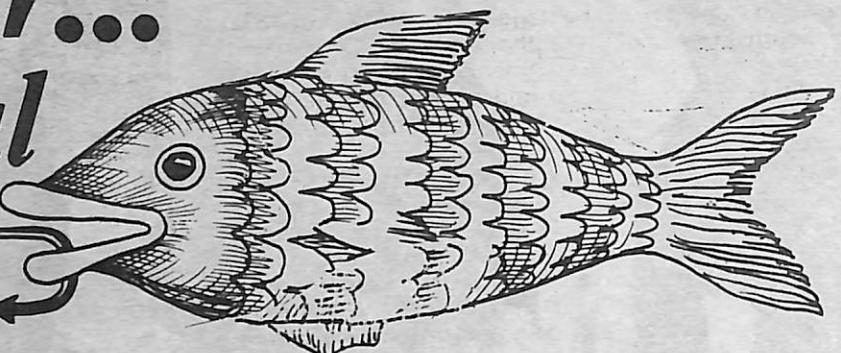
Democratic Candidates Attend Walsh's Family Dinner



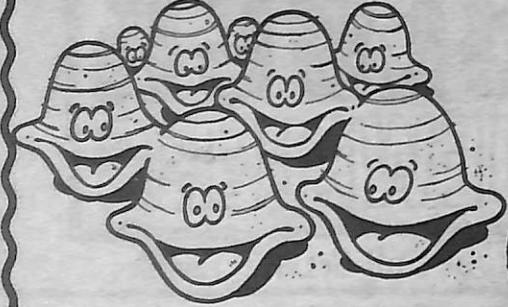
AGAWAM STATE REP. MICHAEL P. WALSH is pictured with fellow Democratic candidates at his Annual Family Macaroni Supper last Wednesday night at the Polish American Club. In photo left with Rep. Walsh is Thomas Moriarty (candidate for Register of Probate), and William Bennett (candidate for District Attorney). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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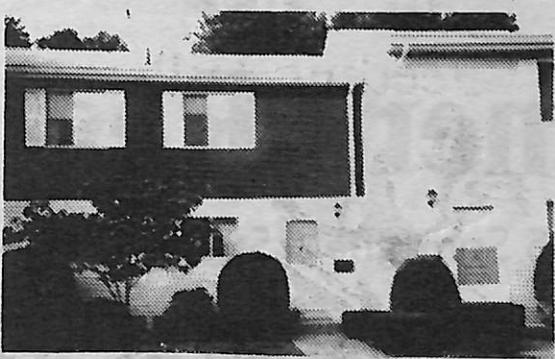
STATE REP. MICHAEL P. WALSH greets longtime campaign supporters at his Annual Family Macaroni Dinner on October 24th. Pictured in top photo are Phil Vecchiarelli (standing with Rep. Walsh), and seated, from left - School Committee member Lou Massoia, Vi Massoia, and Marie Vecchiarelli.

PHOTO LEFT, pictured are Joe Allgro and Jean Allegro with their daughter, Andrea Mokrzycki, and granddaughter Alyse and grandson Phillip. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

Today, nearly 1,000 people will die across the country from smoking related diseases. Each year in the United States alone, almost 250,000 people die prematurely as a direct result of tobacco use. That is more than four times the number of people killed in Vietnam, and enough to fill the stands at the Super Bowl for the next years.

The American Cancer Society states that 70,000 people die each year from lung cancer caused by smoking alone. Lastly, tobacco kills more than 10 times the people lost in automobile accidents every year. The facts and statistics are staggering and would seem to have no end. Like cattle to the slaughterhouse, people are being led to their death by tobacco, the most habituating, addictive, over-the-counter drug currently used by man.

Much more than an annoying bad habit, it is a substance whose abuse defies reason. A firefighter, before entering a smoke filled building, will be sure to don his air tank and mask. Upon completion of his job, he will settle back and relax with a cigarette. Tobacco smoke consists of nearly 500 compounds in its particles, with nicotine (an alkaloid in the plant leaf) causing most of the acute effects of smoking. Extracted nicotine is a colorless, acrid, and oily liquid which has been used as an insecticide. It has no medical use and is combined with other tars and ashes which damage or affect virtually every organ in the body.

Some of the direct effects of smoking are increased heart rate and respirations. It is this feeling that is craved by the smoker. It seems to create a new feeling of alertness, combined with a sense of relaxation. It is this combination that makes withdrawal difficult.

In addition to the problems smoking presents to man, complications to pregnant women are even greater and of more concern. Low birth weight is common due to the reduced absorption of food through the gastro-intestinal tract caused by smoking. Premature birth is also experienced by smokers. Nicotine is passed on to the breastfeeding infant through the mother's milk. The list of dangers goes on and on.

Smokers have more accidents, house fires, and loss of life than non-smokers. They are also more susceptible to other diseases.

In addition, taste buds and sense of smell are altered, fingernails and teeth are stained, and skin is wrinkled.

As if health reasons were not enough to lead people to stop smoking, consider that the average smoker (two packs a day) will spend \$4 a day, \$28 a week, \$112 a month and ultimately, \$1,344 a year.

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AGAWAM DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE MEMBERS, from left - greeted Gubernatorial candidate John Silber's daughter and Hampden County Sheriff Michael Ashe at the town committee's Candidate's Breakfast on Sunday, October 28th. Town Committee members pictured are, from left - Scott Letendre, Rudy Altobelli, and Barbara Barton Dunn. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053. If Jack is out, please leave a message on his answering machine.

Several political figures and candidates for office in November from this area, as well as representatives of statewide candidates, attended the "Meet the Candidates Breakfast" sponsored by the Agawam Democratic Committee. The breakfast, held on Sunday, October 28th, at The Oaks in Agawam, was a fundraising event for the activities of the Democratic Committee, which include the awarding of scholarships annually to Agawam students planning to attend college.

Representatives of Senator John Kerry and gubernatorial candidate John Silber spoke to the group of 100 who attended the breakfast. Also, Representative Michael Walsh, candidate for reelection, and Attorney William Bennett, candidate for Hampden County District Attorney, addressed the group. Senator Linda Melconia and Sheriff Michael Ashe spoke on behalf of the Democratic candidates for office. Mayor Christopher Johnson and some members of the Town Council represented Agawam at the event.

A raffle to benefit the scholarship fund was held at the end of the program. Ruth Zucco and Mark Maczka, cochairs of the raffle committee, distributed many attractive prizes and gift certificates which had been donated by generous individuals and local businesses.

Douglas Bodman, chairman of the Agawam Democratic Committee, and Barbara Barton Dunn, chairwoman of the Breakfast Planning, indicated that the event was successful both in terms of fundraising and of the opportunity to meet political figures who will be important to the community and the state in November.

LEGAL NOTICE

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, November 8, 1990, at 7:15 PM, in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, at the Agawam Police Station, 680 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, called to act upon the petition of Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company to perform work subject to the ACT on 1615 Suffield Street, Agawam, Mass.

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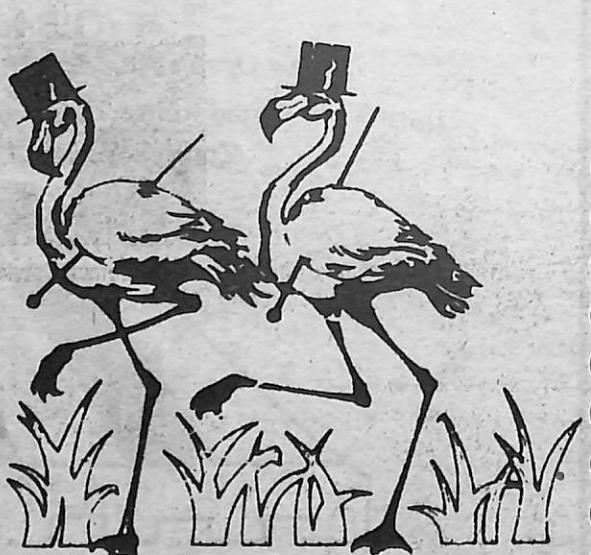
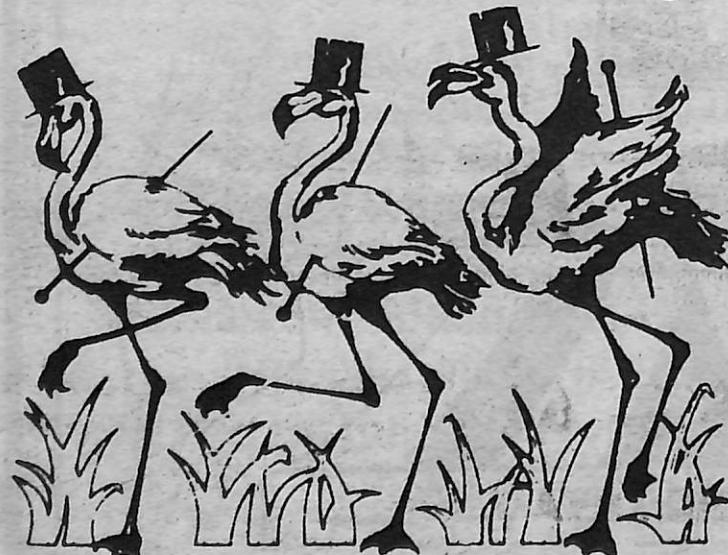
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Big Police Union Gives Endorsement For DA To William Bennett

The International Brotherhood of Police Officers, the largest police union in the country, endorsed the Hampden County District Attorney candidacy of William M. Bennett.

Citing Bennett's pledge to "instill a new sense of cooperation with local police authorities," the International Brotherhood of Police Officers sent its endorsement to its members in Hampden County.

In endorsing Bennett, Ray McGrath, National Legislative Committee Director, said, "There must be a special professional relationship between local police forces and the District Attorney. Effective acting in law enforcement can be best achieved by a sense of teamwork between the police, the District Attorney and his staff."

"We believe Bill Bennett will strengthen that relationship and bring all of the elements of law enforcement in Hampden County together," said McGrath.

McGrath said many of the things Bill Bennett has talked about in his campaign for District Attorney—swift action against convicted drug pushers; working with the Sheriff to make sure Hampden County has adequate jail space; formulating specialized units within the DA's office for homicide/major felonies, juvenile crime, drunk driving, vehicular homicide; and establishment of an organized crime Assets Forfeiture unit in the DA's office—were in line with the views of the policemen and women the IBPO represents.

"In addition, Bill Bennett's 16 years of experience as one of the top trial lawyers in Hampden County makes him the best qualified to meet the unique challenges we face in law enforcement today," McGrath said.

"As an instructor of defense attorneys and prosecutors in a professional education program for the Massachusetts Bar Association, Bill Bennett has proven he understands how to make the criminal justice system work better."

The International Brotherhood of Police Officers urges the election of Bill Bennett as the next District Attorney for Hampden County.



DISTRICT ATTORNEY CANDIDATE WILLIAM BENNETT (left) was busy last week making campaign appearances with one of his town coordinators, Attorney Robert A. Gordon.

Walsh Supports Less Government

State Representative Michael P. Walsh, D-Agawam, said that he plans to support proposals which will downsize state government, but maintain the important programs that he has worked to achieve for the people of the Third Hampden District.

In his final campaign statement before Election Day on Tuesday, Rep. Walsh outlined several programs he hopes to implement during the next legislative session.

"The problems of the past two years are not going to suddenly disappear. Our task now is to change the way state government works and that's going to be difficult. We need elected officials who have stood up and fought for our area and will make sure that downsizing and changing state government aren't mere excuses for shortchanging the people of Western Massachusetts and sparing the city of Boston," said Walsh.

Walsh explained that he will cosponsor legislation that would eliminate the duplicative Metropolitan District Commission and cap the M.B.T.A. budget so that the riders of the T support the system and not the people of Western Massachusetts. He also favors fully

consolidating the state's police forces into one to make our public safety system both effective and cost-efficient.

Walsh will refile legislation that establishes a system of performance audits for state agencies to evaluate their efficiency and determine if the agency is needed.

Lastly, Walsh supports a plan to centralize the state's numerous health care agencies under one secretariat to cease duplication of effort and allow for better coordination of services.

"While we continue to make tough decisions and begin to downsize government, we must also maintain our priorities: sound environmental programs, effective public safety, our children's education, and a coordinated health care system," said Walsh.

"I've tried to run a strong, positive campaign highlighting my accomplishments. I've tried to reacquaint people with my record of achievement in order to show them what my priorities will be in the next few years. I hope that my record and vision of the future is something the voters can support on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6th," he said.

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When purchasing smoke detectors for your home be sure they are labeled by a nationally recognized fire testing laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL) or Factory Mutual (FM).

For minimum protection, smoke detectors should be installed outside of each bedroom or sleeping area. It is also suggested that at least one should be placed on the other levels of your home for additional protection. Placement of your smoke detector is important. Because smoke rises, the detector should be mounted on the ceiling or high on a wall. If wall mounted, the top of the detector should be four to 12 inches from the ceiling. A ceiling mounted detector should be at least four inches from any wall. Take care to keep the detector away from drafts created by fans or air ducts. Also, if a hallway leading to bedrooms is more than 40-feet long, a detector should be placed at both ends.

Once you've installed your smoke detectors, their maintenance is very important. Your detector should be tested a minimum of once a month by pressing the test button or using smoke. Replace the batteries according to the manufacturer's recommendations, or at least once a year, using the type of batteries recommended. Because dust and cobwebs can impair the sensitivity of the detector, follow the manufacturer's directions for cleaning.

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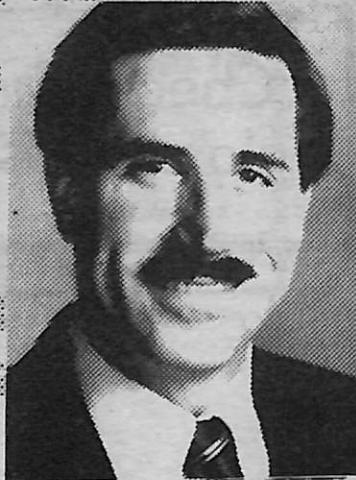
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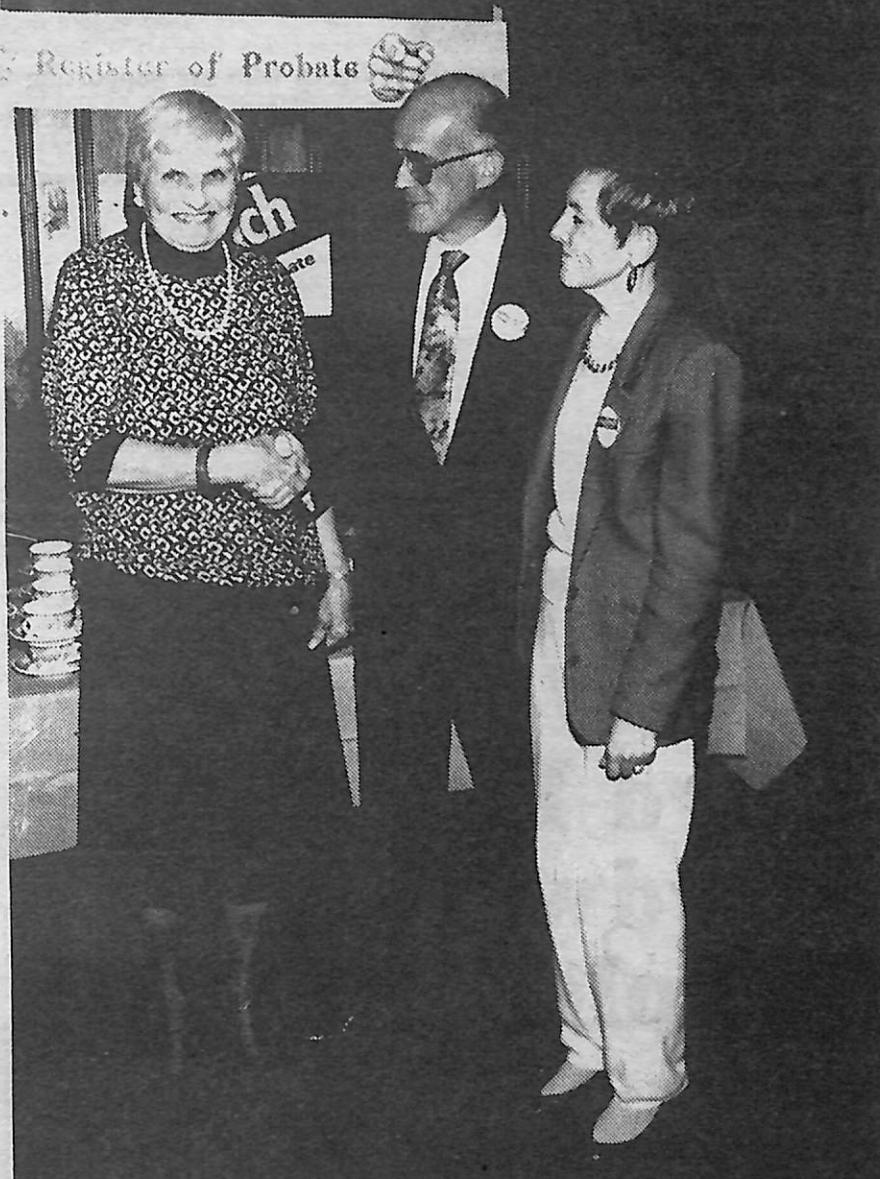
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AT A RALLY HELD at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Agawam supporters of Roger French for Register of Probate gathered with other town residents. In top photo, French (left) is seated with David Kellogg, Louise Mattoon, Chris Quatrone, and Chris Safarik; IN PHOTO LEFT, French and his wife, Lucille, are greeted by Agawam Town Council Vice-President Jessie D. Fuller. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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French Cites Many Differences With Opponent Moriarty

Roger G. French, Republican candidate for Hampden County Register of Probate, released the following statement:

"The October 24th edition of the *"Springfield Union-News"* contained an article by Brad Smith which clearly showed the scope of the problems caused by unbridled political power in the Hampden County Register of Probate's office.

"Bloated budgets, "No-Show" appointees, Political Pay-Backs. Those are what can develop—and HAVE developed in Hampden County's Family and Probate Courts—when an important administrative position is allowed to become no more than a political 'Project Opportunity.'

"As a Taxpayer, Professional Business Administrator and Candidate for Hampden County Register of Probate, I am appalled at these conditions. As a results-driven manager, I am used to obtaining the most FROM those who report to me. Apparently the Registry of Probate has often offered the most TO those who report to it.

"This leads to one of the critical differences between my opponent and me. He is an experienced part of the same system that has brought these abuses about. He is, as stated in the same article, a 'career public service appointee.' An appointee in a system where success is all too often measured by how little one rocks the boat. On the other hand, I am a career Private Industry manager. My success has been measured by how well I perform and on what innovations I have been able to implement.

"My opponent stresses that his life has been dedicated to service to his community. Such service is to be commended. However, his service has been paid for by tax dollars.

"My life, also, has been dedicated to service. Service to my family and to my community through volunteer projects including the Chamber of Commerce's 'Business In Schools,' two terms as the volunteer president of the Parent-Teachers Organization at my children's school and, later as a member of the School Board for that same school; by volunteer service for the past 13 years as teacher in my church's Religious Education Programs; service to my profession through teaching in the Professional Development Programs of both the Professional Insurance Agent's Association and the Western Massachusetts Chapter of CPCU; voluntary service to my community; success in my profession; doing both but neither at the expense of taxpayers. That is the second difference between my opponent and me.

"There are other differences. He has made few proposals for improvement in how the office will function if he is elected. At the same time, he stresses that his work in the Superior Court gives him unique qualification for Register of Probate. He has proposed using our taxes to provide free legal service by the Family and Probate Courts. This would add more appointed positions and more budget dollars. I have proposed using

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Agawam Police Blotter For Last Week

On October 21st, **Charles Dermott, Jr.**, 97 Maple Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Wilbraham Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien, Walter Zymroz, and Mark Ceccarini.

On October 22nd, **Douglas C. Seib**, 31 Norman Terrace, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officer was Joe Edwards.

On October 23rd, **Joseph L. Barton**, 289 Park Street, Stafford Springs, Connecticut, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mike Gruska, Gary O'Brien, Rick Niles, Richard Conlon, and Eric Camerlin.

On October 24th, **Darrell Cook**, 589 River Road, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Brian Connor.

On October 24th, **Felix J. Baez**, 175 Walnut Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Rick Niles and Eric Camerlin.

On October 24th, **Hector Soto**, 41 Spring Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Rick Niles and Peter Bertera.

On October 24th, **Edward Smrecek**, 115 Warren Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol, operating after suspension, and an outstanding Chicopee Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Mike Gruska, Rick Niles, and Detective Peter Bertera.

On October 25th, **Kevin J. Vandegrift**, 3 North West

Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Walter Zymroz.

On October 25th, **Thomas O'Sullivan**, 409 Montgomery Road, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Steve Draghetti and Karen Langevin.

On October 25th, **David St. Jean**, 313 Shaker Road, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Steven Draghetti and Karen Langevin.

On October 25th, **Ronald Smith**, 35 Gail Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Southwick Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Donald Gallerani and Gary O'Brien.

On October 25th, **Gary T. Johnson**, 2071 Riverdale Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Joe Edwards and Eric Camerlin.

On October 25th, **Henry Blake**, 412 Tinkham Road, Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Ben Moore.

On October 26th, **Larry H. Arps**, Lofield Arms, Enfield, Connecticut, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were James Donovan and Eric Lottermoser.

On October 27th, **Anthony R. Chretien**, 3 West Street, Holyoke, was arrested and charged with an outstanding South Hadley Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Donald Gallerani and Richard Conlon.

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lawyers who volunteer their services. He proposes implementing "Case Management" in Family and Probate Court. Relatively few types of cases in the Family and Probate Courts rely heavily on memory. Those that do, for example Family Battering, are already handled on a "First Priority" basis. Case Management, then, has little application for Register of Probate. In addition, since the law and the procedural rules of Family and Probate Court are vastly different from those of Superior Court, his experience managing FILES in Superior Court has little relation to handling PEOPLE anywhere and no transportable value in the operation of Family and Probate Court.

"On the other hand, my background includes successful completion of studies in Commercial Law, and experience in Real Estate Sales, Financial Planning and Estate Planning. I have not practiced the latter three in recent years and WILL NOT, directly or indirectly, as Register of Probate. However, when combined with my many years of managing people, my background is obviously more compatible than is his with the needs of the office we both seek.

"As regards proposals for improvements in the office, I have made several, including those just mentioned. All workable. All pertinent to the office. All cost effective.

"The reality of the situation is this: Roger French has no experience as a politician. His opponent has no experience as an office manager.

"The question that will be decided by the voters in the county on November 6th is how they want the office of Register of Probate to be run. By 'Politics as Usual' or as an effective, professionally managed office which will provide vital service at the lowest possible cost to the people of Hampden County," concluded French.

Funeral Director Richard J. Curran Attends National Conference In Louisville, Kentucky

Massachusetts Funeral Directors Association President-elect Richard J. Curran and his wife, Brenda, attended the National Funeral Directors Convention as delegates which was held in Louisville, Kentucky from October 27th to November 1st.

The annual conventions provide an opportunity for funeral directors and their staff to gather to participate in the many seminars that pertain to current funeral home and community issues. It also is a time when the leaders in the profession come together during the general sessions to enhance the professional organizations and develop better services and regulations to

provide for the families the organization serves and promote community services, such as Aftercare Programs, Estate Planning Forums, OSHA Regulations, Bereavement Counseling, and much more.

Dick and Brenda actively participated in many of these seminars, and Curran represented the Massachusetts Funeral Directors Association when he met with his colleagues during the general sessions which were held throughout the convention. It is during these sessions that the members of the state delegations debate and vote on the issues and concerns that affect the future course of funeral service.

Memorial Mass For Deceased UNICO Members Nov. 18th

A Memorial Mass for the deceased members of Agawam UNICO National will be held on Sunday, November 18th, at 6:00 p.m. Services will be held at St. Anthony of Padua, Agawam. The celebrant of the Mass will be the Reverend Leo T. Riley, C.S.S.

Directly after the Mass, all are invited to partake of a collation which will be held in the church hall.

Families of the deceased members, UNICO members, and friends are invited to attend. For further information, please call Lou Scherpa, 786-0203.

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Agawam Lioness Prepare For Macaroni Supper



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM LIONESS CLUB are busy making final preparations for their upcoming Ziti & Meatball Supper. The event is slated for Wednesday, November 14th, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Middle School. Pictured are Lioness members Rosemarie Maniscalco, Diane Simpson, Janet Gallerani, and Marsha Finck. The gentleman in the photo is Patrick Finck, Lions Club president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Pizza & Beer Party For Scleroderma Planned

On Wednesday, November 7th, a Beer & Pizza Party sponsored by Gubby Borgatti & Friends for Scleroderma research will be held at the Dante Club, Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

This will be the last event for 1990 by Gubby & Friends. The next fundraiser to benefit Scleroderma research will be held in the spring.

Tickets for this event are two-thirds gone at presstime. The price is \$4.99 per person. The motto of this event is "eat and drink all you can before we run out."

Chief cooks Paul Marai and Tom Frasco claim they will cook the pizzas as delicious as ever. You can count on that. Also helping out will be Gubby Borgatti's three daughters - Marilyn Duclos, Ann Marie Doyle, and Lois Menard, as well as son-in-law Vic Menard (who will serve the pizzas).

Also assisting will be Adrienne Frasco (chief beer

pourer and our jack of all trades). In the kitchen there will be Donna Hunsinger, Tony Vedovelli, Bill & Didi Duncan, Sam Frasco, and many others. The committee wishes to thank everyone who helps out.

Also, thanks to the Dante Club and to *The Agawam Advertiser News* for their cooperation to make this and our other functions such a great success.

On Sunday, October 7th, Gubby Borgatti traveled to New Castle, Pennsylvania with a check for \$5,000 to present to researchers who are attempting to find a cure for this disease.

Gubby & Friends again gave the largest single donation of any group from the 14 states represented at the meeting. All of this was donated in the memory of Ruth Borgatti, who died from Scleroderma in 1973.

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Mrs. Harold Spooner is fair coordinator with Dorothy Mattson, Guild president, as honorary chairwoman.

The Santa's Shoppes will feature the following: Betty Wilson, Boutique; Rosamond Moore, Baked Goods; Shirley Gilbert, Attic Treasures; Jane Bozenhard, Knit Goods; Trudy Watson, Candies; Barbara Smith, Preserves and Pickles; Marion Davidson, Aprons; Barbara Parker, Pillows, Towels; Shirley Franklin, Christmas Tree; Ruth Guild, Children's Room; Bart Hastings, Snack Bar; Naomi Guild, Luncheon.

The Snack Bar will feature clam chowder and a variety of sandwiches and desserts.

On Saturday, November 10th, at 12:30 p.m., a seafood luncheon will be served. Donations of \$4.50 for adults, and \$2, children under 12 is requested. Please call the office, 739-6608, for reservations.

Communion Supper At Catholic Women's Club

The Annual Communion Supper of the Agawam Catholic Women's Club will be held on Monday, November 12th. Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m., in St. John the Evangelist Church, followed by supper at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The speaker for this event, Sr. Eleanor Dooley, S.S.J., is chairwoman of the Religious Studies Department and professor of French at the Elms College. She is an adjunct professor at the University of San Francisco and at Harvard Divinity School. She has studied and done retreats in Jerusalem, India, and Australia. Her topic will be "Mary's Call and Our Own Call to Contemplation."

Chairwoman for the evening is Charlene Moretti. Other committee members assisting are Rose Dean, Jackie Hayes, Lucille Harpin, Joan Malinoski, Lorraine Maniscalchi, and Wanda Meagher.

Feeding Hills Women To Meet Nov. 7th

The meeting of the Feeding Hills Women's Club on Wednesday, November 7th, at 7:30 p.m. will benefit all of us healthwise.

Guest speaker, Sarah Ellis, from Noble Hospital, will talk on "Women & Nutrition."

Guests are welcome. The meetings are held at the Grange Hall, North West Street, Feeding Hills.

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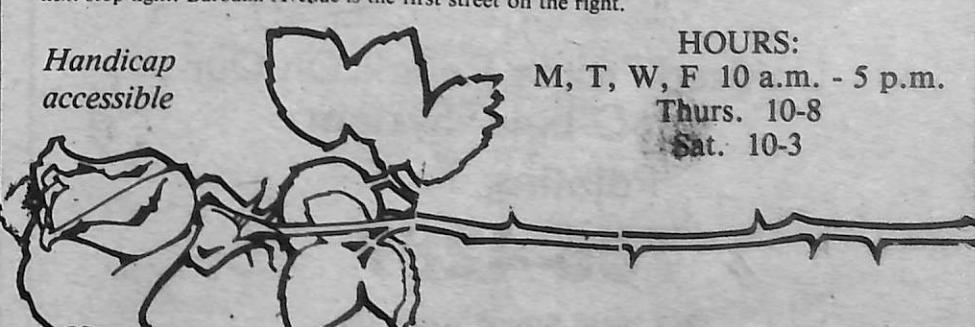
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Agawam Junior Women Walk For D.A.R.E.



ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21st, members of the Agawam Junior Women's Club and elementary school children walked from the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills to Agawam High to benefit Project D.A.R.E. Club members in second photo pictured waiting for the group of walkers to arrive are, from left - Laura Paul, Betty Vershon, Ann Woodard, Liz Taylor, and Kathy Davis. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Jingle Valley Fair Set At Ag. First Baptist

The Jingle Valley Fair will be held on Saturday, November 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Agawam First Baptist Church, corner of Main & Elm Streets, Agawam.

Following are some of the booths you will enjoy visiting.

Upstairs:

The General Store—Offers hand-crafted items, knit, crocheted and painted items—aprons, holders, and much more.

The Candy Cupboard—Features homemade fudge, penuche, and all sorts of tempting sweets.

Grandmother's Cupboard—Delicious homemade pies, cakes, cookies, breads, baked beans, cole slaw, and potato salad.

The Loft—All sorts of handmade Christmas Decorations and Ornaments for your tree and your home.

Also Upstairs:

We will be serving a delicious luncheon in our Snowflake Tea Room, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at \$4.50 each. Menu includes Southern Chicken Casserole, cranberry salad, blueberry muffin, apple dessert, coffee, tea, milk. For advance reservations, call 786-8624 or 786-0337.

Downstairs:

Attic Treasures—White elephants and bargains galore!

The Shed—Lovely fresh house plants as well as dried flowers for your arrangements.

Blacksmith Shop—Handcrafted items made by our Mr. & Mrs. Club. Log cemetery boxes will be offered at \$7.50. Call 786-8285 to reserve yours.

Snack Bar—A quick snack will be furnished by our senior high students.

Children's Corner—Fun and surprises for the youngsters.

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Sunday, November 4th
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Wednesday, November 7th
Feeding Hills Women's Club
Grange Hall, North West Street
7:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 10th
Annual Chicken Pie Supper
Feeding Hills Congregational Church
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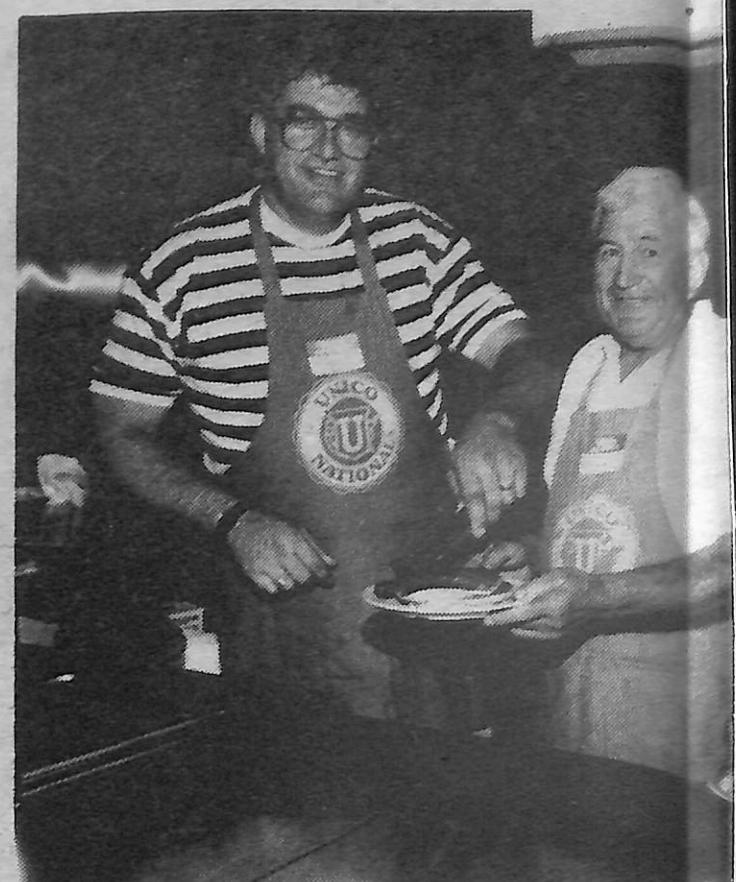
CASEY & CHRISTOPHER FENNYERY enjoy their pancakes at the October 14th benefit breakfast sponsored by Agawam UNICO.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

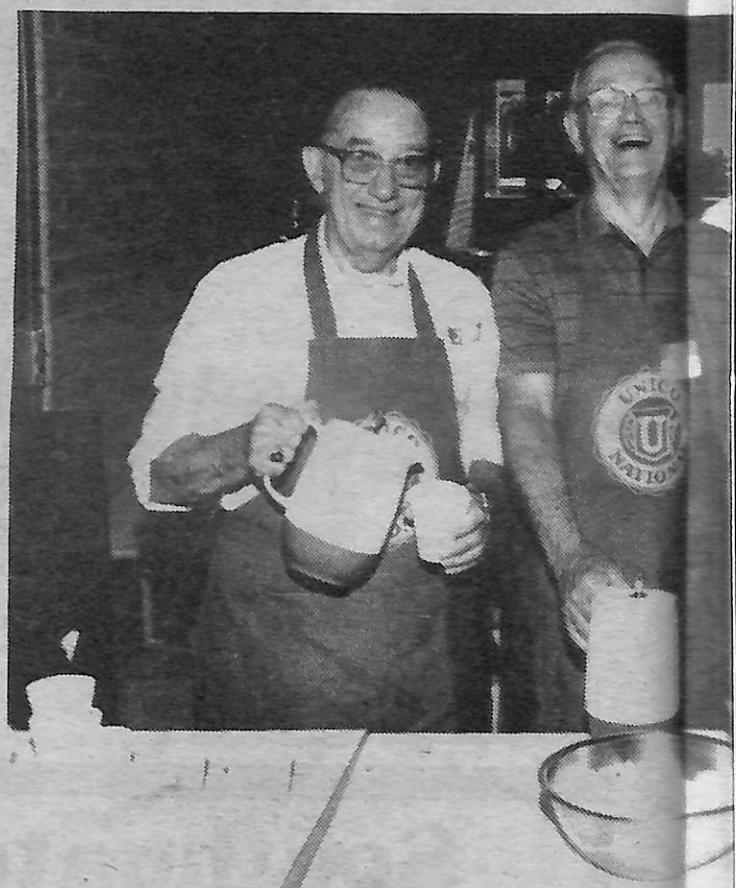


THREE YEAR-OLD Kelly Horton had no trouble wolfing down UNICO's pancakes.

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UNICO MEMBERS (from left) Dave Gallerani, Chairman, were part of the kitchen crew for the October 14th Pancake Breakfast at the Agawam Public Library. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



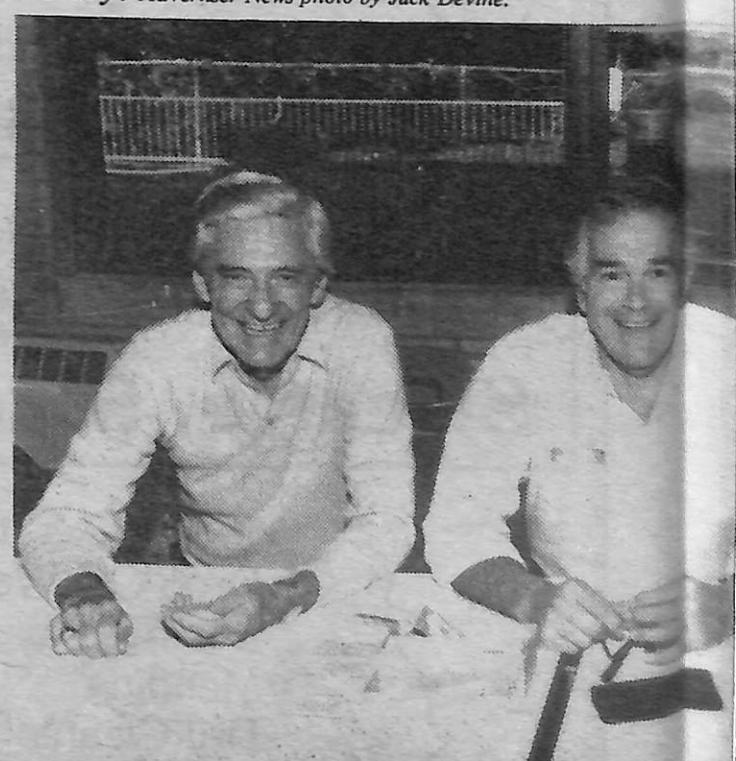
UNICO MEMBERS Joseph Ferrari, Al Della Pergola, were manning the October 14th Pancake Breakfast at the Agawam Public Library. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE RHEAULT BOYS, Matthew, Joshua, Zachary, and Christopher were on their first helping of pancakes and already looking for seconds. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TRISH AND ALEX LAUGHMAN look over the display of audio/visual self-help tapes now available at the Agawam Public Library with Chief Librarian Donna Campbell. Proceeds from the October 14th Pancake Breakfast sponsored by Agawam UNICO will expand these collection of tapes. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

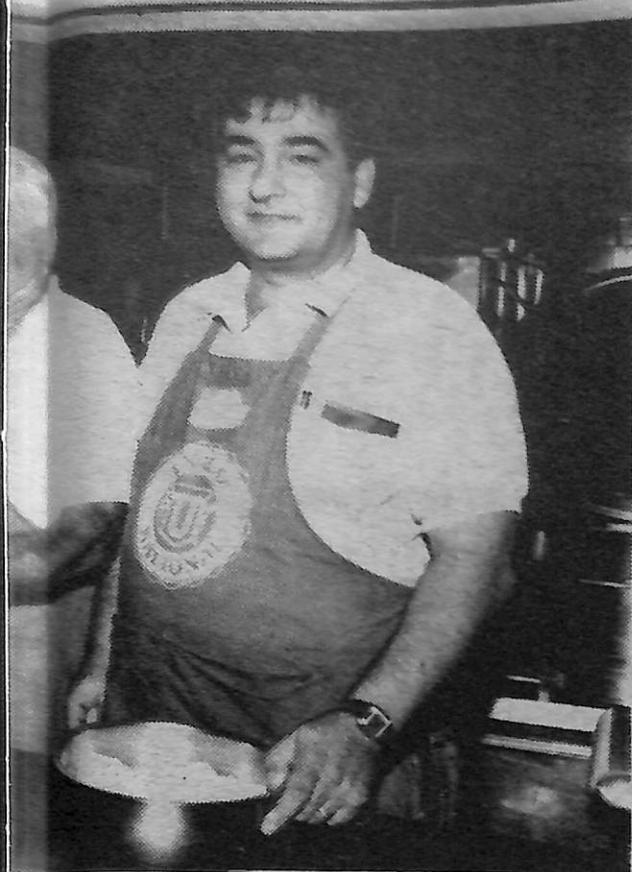


GREETING PEOPLE AT THE TICKET TABLE are, from left - Bruno Maule, John Mercadante. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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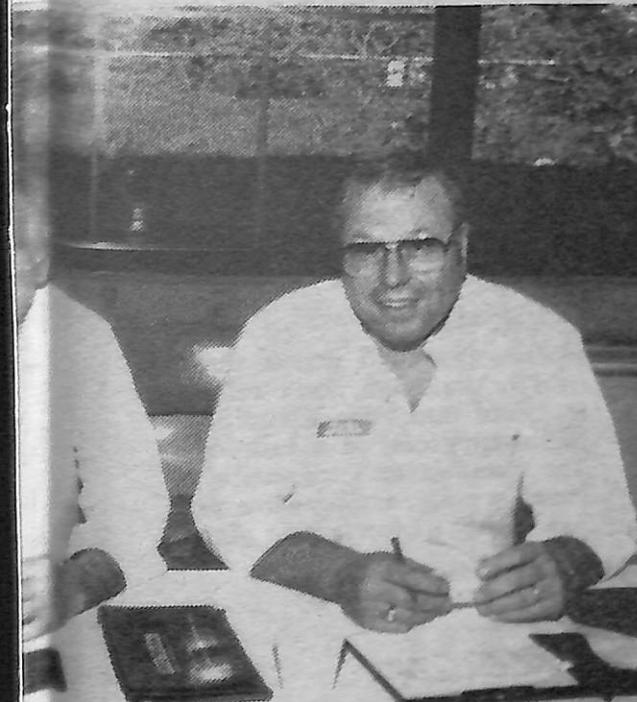
For Successful Pancake Breakfast



Charles Calabrese, and Louie Russo (president) of the 14th Pancake Breakfast that benefitted the Agawam Public Library.



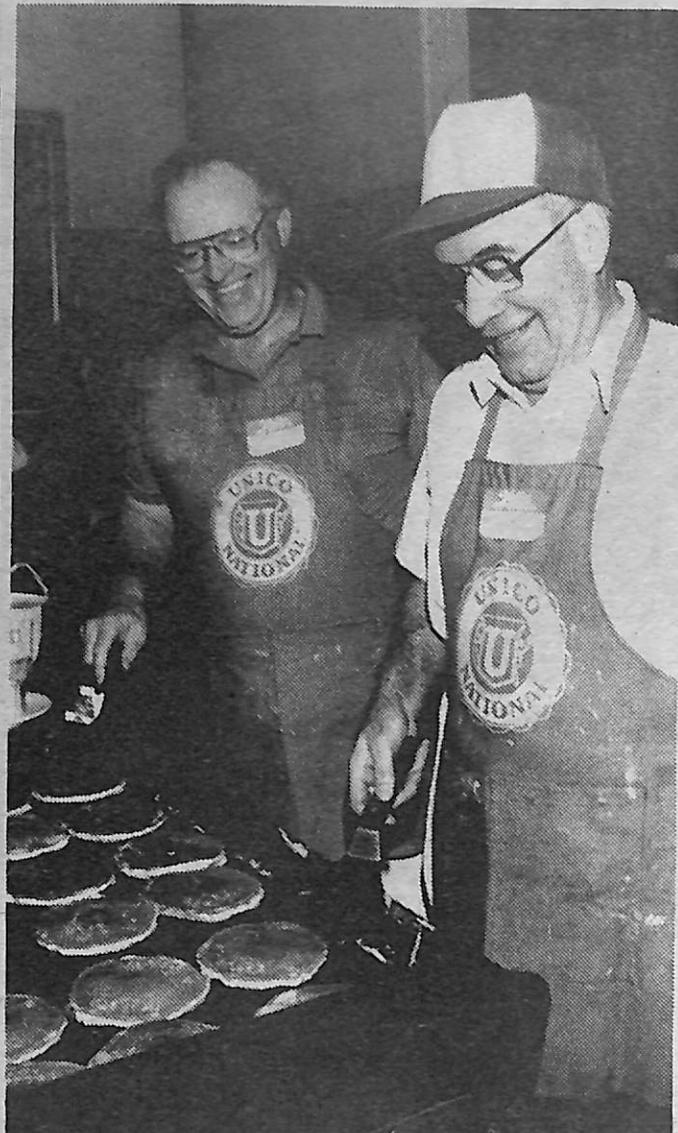
Pegorora, Lou Scherpa, and Frank Chriscola at the Pancake Breakfast that benefitted the Agawam Public Library.



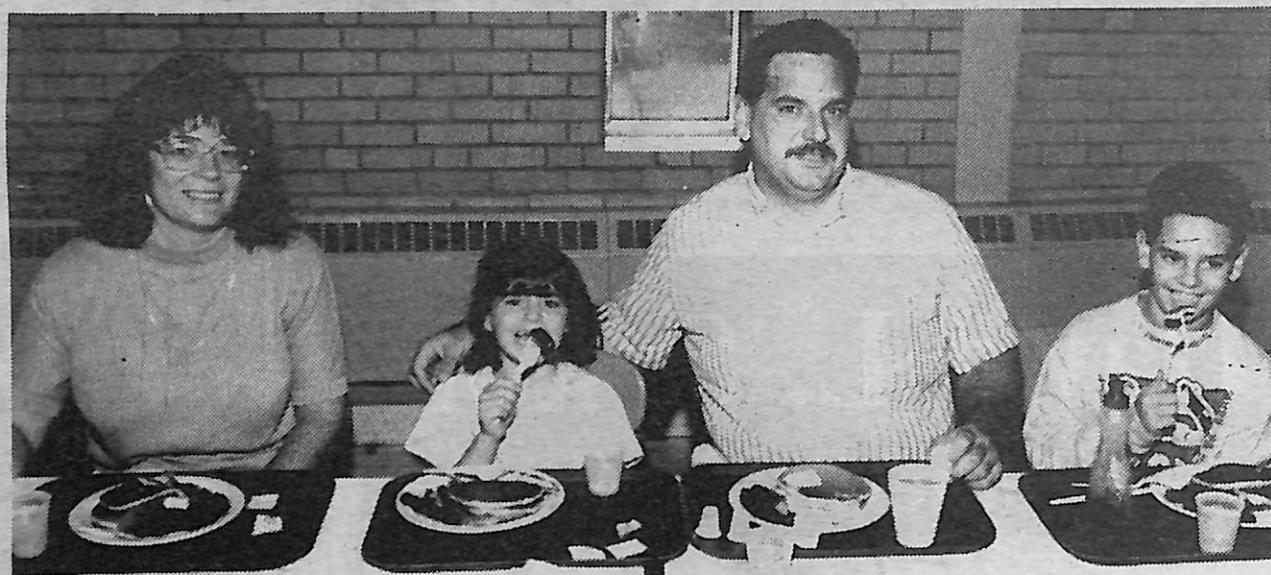
At Agawam UNICO's Pancake Breakfast and Dick DiLullo. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DAVE D'AGOSTINO and MIKE FAZIO were part of the clean-up crew for Agawam UNICO's Pancake Breakfast. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



VETERAN UNICO MEMBERS Bill Mezzetti and Ed Disco were two of the chief pancake makers for the club's Annual Pancake Breakfast. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE ROBERTS CLAN, Donna, Jillian, Tom, and Tommy supported the Agawam Public Library by attending the October 14th Pancake Breakfast sponsored by Agawam UNICO. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DAVE GALLERANI, LISA GALLERANI, and HEIDI SEMARIE happily carry pancakes back to their tables at the Agawam UNICO Pancake Breakfast on October 14th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE for the St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon included Sue Andreoli, Dennis Kunkler, Maire Kunkler, and Nancy Rosner present Paul Sawyer with his bike for getting the most sponsors. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DANIELLE SEXTON won the third prize and LEE KUNKLER won second prize for their efforts helping the St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

St. Jude Bike-A-Thon Presents Awards To Bikers

Awards were recently presented to all Bike-a-Thon riders who helped to raise funds for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Through the efforts of 35 dedicated riders and hundreds of sponsors, a total of \$2,123 was collected.

Marie Kunkler, chairwoman of the event, would like to thank the following committee members for their help: Sue Andreoli, Ray Charest, David Delancey, Dennis Kunkler, Claire LePine, and Nancy Rosner.

Committee members extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to the following businesses who helped to make the Bike-a-Thon a success:

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Special thanks to the hardworking Bike-a-Thon riders: Paul Sawyer, Lee Kunkler, Danielle Sexton, Jennifer Dumond, Drake Descant, David Martin, Eric Fay,

Bobby Johnson, Jeffrey Fay, Aurelia Andreoli, Maureen Briere, Eric Loney, Tim Balland, Jeremy Spring, Shawn Dupee, Mary Ann Spring, Ric Sardella, Tom Dunn, Lauren Kunkler, Stephen Kunkler, Mike Beaudry, Tim Lawrenchuck, Laurel Nunn, David Kellogg, Becky Dennis, Deanna Knodler, Joella Raiche, Mary Briancesco, Megan Langevin, Ivan Montanez, Rachael Schufreder, Eric Montanez, Mark Fornier, Mike Raynor, Jamie Raynor.

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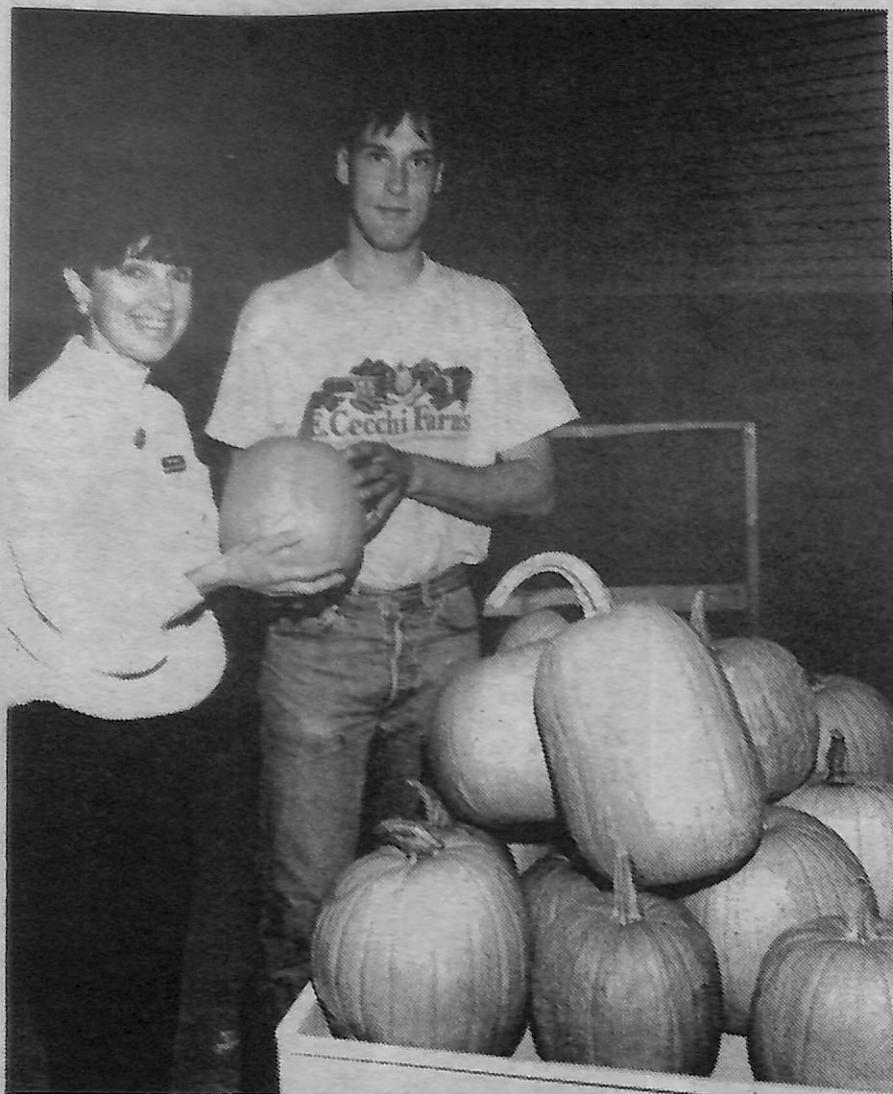
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Ag. High Class Of '65 Planning 25th Reunion

The Agawam High Class of 1965 is planning a 25th Class Reunion on Saturday, November 24th. We are trying to locate the following people:

Tom Bartolucci, Francis Belisle, John Belovitz, Martin Blustine, James Boldebook, Linda Booth, Kenneth Bowden, Barbara Clark, Nancy Coupos, Richard DellaGiustina, Susan Duclos, Diane Ferioli, Bill Henry, Paul Jenks, Aurora Kusick, Gary Kwader, John McLean, David Moreno, Glenn Nichols, Linda Paige, Joe Paquin, Charlene Rankin, June Sherman, Robert Shugda, Bob St. Cyr, Marcia Stewart, Kathleen Sullivan, Ken Sutton, Joann Templeman, Joyce Thomas, Mike Thorpe, Faith Wheeler, Terry Wheeler.

If anyone has any information on any of these people, please contact: Debbie (Leclerc) DePalma, 786-3604; Cindy (Bertram) Weber, 786-9035; Linda (Parzych) Charest, 786-8666; Charlene (Chriscola) Hermans, 568-0830.

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Annual Potluck Dinner Held By Ag. Counseling Center



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BOARD MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM COUNSELING CENTER include Dorothy E. Coon, Patricia Serafino, Dale Miller, Rene Piccoli, Joe Polaski, Don Smith, George Hellquist, Jack Patterson, Mike Serafino, Art Gallerani, Bill Quinn, and Jack Magovern. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RECOGNITION was given to both the Agawam Counseling Center employees and board members. Honored were employees Pat McGuinness (five years-right) and Joe Silverman (10-years). Also honored were former board members Dorothy Coon (left) and George Hellquist. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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One of the more inevitable events of childhood is the likelihood that a youngster will come down with chicken pox. Only five percent of all American children escape this disease, which gives new meaning to the word "itch." Until relatively recently, pediatricians could do no more to relieve the discomfort of chicken pox than suggest applications of calamine lotion and oatmeal baths. Now, a study out of the University of Minnesota reveals that the antiviral drug acyclovir lowers fever and limits the number of pox among children with the childhood disease. A separate study indicates that oral acyclovir helps heal the lesions that adults experience with shingles, which is caused by the same virus that causes chicken pox. As yet, the FDA has only approved intravenous acyclovir for treating immuno-suppressed patients with chicken pox. **HINT:** Acyclovir has been approved for the treatment of oral and genital herpes.

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Heritage Hall Nursing Home News & Activities

Wine And Cheese Party

The silver was polished, the candles were lit, and fresh flowers adorned the tables. It was an elegant setting for the Wine and Cheese Toasting Party at Heritage Hall South. The residents sipped wine from toast glasses, while sampling different types of cheese and crackers.

The residents enjoyed choosing their favorite wine. The selection of cheeses from around the world were appealing. Guessing which cheese was which was part of the affair. Entertainment for the evening included songs from Lawrence Welk and their favorite tiny bubbles.

The evening was a big success and enjoyed by all who attended. Special thanks again go to the Dietary Department for supporting us in this event. Evening theme parties are among the favorite activities of many residents at Heritage Hall South.

"Rainbows For All Children"

The facilitator training program at Heritage Hall West Nursing Home has been completed and registration is now open to the community. "Rainbows For All Children" is a peer support group for elementary-age children who have experienced loss through death, separation, or divorce. All groups are facilitated by caring adults and group discussion is strictly confidential. The children have an opportunity to meet new friends who have shared similar experiences, to sort through and understand their grief and come to a healthy acceptance of what has happened in their family.

"Rainbows For All Children" was developed in 1986 by a divorced mother, Suzy Yehl, when she discovered that although a support group was available to her, her children had none. The program is now in 35 states, two foreign countries, and more than 30,000 children have grown by sharing their feelings within a secure, caring environment.

Rainbows is free of charge. If you feel your child would benefit from this program, please contact site coordinator, Kay Babcock, 786-8000, extension 229, and plan to attend our information night on Wednesday, November 14th, at 7:00 p.m. You will have an opportunity to meet with the Rainbow facilitators and have any concerns addressed.

Three Steps Forward, Two Steps Back

Have you ever heard of the statement, "Three steps forward, two steps back"? I believe there are times in all of our lives that reflect this portrayal of progress, or lack of.

Through the pressures of our lives, there perhaps are times when we have needs that cannot be met in a physical, material way; needs that run deeper than any other; that find their way to the top of our path we take every day. Those steps we take forward are soon forgotten because of the two steps back. Our focus is now diverted from our intended goal to the progress lost. Hence we overlook the one step we have gained.

With our eyes cast down or behind us, oblivious to the light ahead, the pressures of this world, the circumstances of our physical and emotional well-being changing, it is especially comforting to know that for those who seek refuge and strength they have opportunity to obtain it at Heritage Hall.

Provided are spiritual needs, encouragement, guidance and help in our Chapel area of our activity room. This is where the services are held, where the sermons are preached, where the songs are sung, the

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communion is distributed and Mass conducted. The people who give of their most precious time, to reach out, not only in our activity but from room to room, to these people we are deeply grateful. Weekly, sometimes monthly, daily, priests, pastors, lay people come to our nursing home to minister to our, possibly your, loved ones.

The steps may be few, but these people strive diligently with all their heart to light the path ahead of those who listen, step by step, along their way.

It is a comfort to know we provide these services and people are willing and earnest to devote of their time and efforts to be available.

Dolls! Dolls! Dolls!

Eyes opened and closed, cries could be heard, many had new dresses and they all looked loved!

There was a captivating Boy Doll. He sat so proudly dressed in blue pants and a blue and white checkered shirt. The red enamel painted chair on which he sat, had been Dorothy's childhood chair!

"Barbie," is a Limited Holiday Edition of '89. She was in the company of "Shirley Temple"; a Knickerbocker celluloid boy and a special "Story Telling" doll.

"Little Red Riding Hood," was the story. The storyteller used this one doll for the three main characters.

"Red Riding Hood" had blonde hair and blue eyes and a full-length red dress. When turned upside down, with the skirt pulled down, there was a smiling grandmother and turned around, there was the wolf's face!

Dorothy Marusczak has more than the 15 dolls displayed and found it hard to choose which to bring.

Barbara Santaniello brought a Bye-Lo and a Lenci Doll, along with an American Indian and one Mexican Girl with hand-sewn glass beads decorating her dress.

Sheila Zajac displayed dolls brought back from her travels. Her newest addition was a porcelain man dressed in the traditional Greek costume; a Thailand peddler's boat loaded with fruits and vegetables; Spanish dancers in the colorful ruffled long-train dresses; King Henry VIII and his Queen; Korean dolls in wedding dress. From Egypt there was a leather camel ridden by a man who is either rescuing a damsel in distress or carrying off a fair young maiden!

Thank-you Dorothy, Barbara, and Sheila for a "Trip To Let's Pretend."

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Rummage Sale Held At Agawam Congregational Church



THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL Church recently held its Annual Rummage Sale. IN TOP PHOTO, responsible for counting the money are Ruth Silk, Elizabeth Pond, and Alice; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Barbara Gagnon and Doris Kistner wade through the many items that were on sale. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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JESSIE PERKINS and MARIAN BECK were selling jewelry at the Annual Rummage Sale sponsored by the Agawam Congregational Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Pre-Holiday Crafts Fair Held At St. John's



CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS were being shown by Elaine Smethurst, Cookie Albro, and Mike Albro at St. John's Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOOKING OVER SOME BEADED CRAFTS at a recent craft show at St. John's Church are, from left - Minnie Moran, Patty Legere, and Sandy Moran. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Chicken Breast Supper At Ag. Congo Church

The Merriweds of Agawam Congregational Church will hold a Breast of Chicken Supper at the church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, on Thursday, November 8th, with sittings at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m.

The menu will include breast of chicken, baked

potato, carrots, cole slaw, cranberry sauce, rolls, beverages, and homemade cake.

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AHS Class Of 1975 Seeks "Lost" Members

Attention: Last Chance—Class of '75 needs your response.

Agawam High's Class of '75 is looking for lost members. If you are on this list or know the whereabouts of anyone on this list, or if you have not received an invitation to AHS's 15th reunion, please contact Marcia Atwater Barker, 61 Emerson Street, Agawam, MA, 01001, or Nancy Votzakis Richter, 767 Mill Street, Feeding Hills. Money must be received by November 12th.

Those missing include:

Lillian Attardi, Diane Bailey, Marg Barnes, Deb Baruffaldi, John Bessette, Deb Bridges, Eric Brown, Kathy Bruno, Kevin Burnett, Dave Campurciani, Meg Caprera, Bill Cesan, Tony Cincotta, Candy Clairmont, Deb Daigneau, Jackie Dalton, Al Daudelin, Jim DiClementi, Kathy Dowd, Dianne Drewnowski, Elaine Edwards, Charles Elliot, Elaine Fish, Larry Fontaine, Debbie Fuller.

Mark Gideos, Sue Kaminski, Michael Kerr, Lori King, Holly & Connie Kinnell, Rhonda LaVallee, Matt Mason, Marie Morin, Kathy Mustain, Joan Noonan, Kate Parrow, Sarah Palin, Tim Paton, Diane Prentice, Roxanne Raymond, Karen Riley, Joe Rossi, Tom Schmidt, Don Soden, Ron Squazza, Sandy Sweet, Tom Sullivan, Jerry Turner, Bob Trempe, Penny Webster, Sheryl Wilson, Beth Wislocki.

Memorial Mass Slated By Nocturnal Adoration Society

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield Memorial Mass for all deceased members and their families at the Dominican Nuns Monastery of the Mother of God, 1430 Riverdale Street, West Springfield, Friday evening, November 9th, at 7:00 p.m.

This will be a concelebrated Mass, with Auxiliary Bishop Thomas L. Dupre, as the principal celebrant.

There will be an induction of new members, and Moderator Father Albert E. Breton of the Society and Louis J. Gallerani, president, will present the new members with the Manual and Medallion.

Refreshments will be served in the Sisters' Lounge following the induction and the Mass. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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"Flamingo Fling" Planned To Benefit Diana Sands Nov. 15th

The Flamingo Fling, a special event to benefit the Diana M. Sands Trust, will be held Thursday, November 15th, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., at the Polish American Club, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, as announced by event chairwoman Kathy Heimann.

This special social event has two purposes, according to Mrs. Heimann. It is designed to provide an opportunity for the community to show its support to Mrs. Sands, a teacher at the Clifford M. Granger School in Feeding Hills, and it is designed to raise funds to help offset the extremely large costs of the special medical procedure Mrs. Sands is undergoing at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

Mrs. Sands was diagnosed as having a rare form of lung cancer at the end of the past school year. The option offering her the best chance of beating the cancer is an experimental procedure undertaken at the Dana Farber Institute. The difficulty is that the procedure is experimental and insurance will not pay the \$135,000 cost for the procedure.

"We are hoping that a lot of people will turn out during the evening of November 15th," Mrs. Heimann explained, "because one of the greatest supports Diana has had during her hospitalization has been the cards and letters she has received. We have planned a lot of special ways for people to tell Diana they care."

The special event will feature a "Flamingo Card Signing." People will be able to write a message or just sign their name to large cards in the shape of Flamingos. "We chose the Flamingo because Diana loves them," Mrs. Heimann noted.

In addition, people can videotape their message to Diana for a nominal fee in a videogram which will be sent down to her along with a video of the "Flamingo Fling" itself.

People who cannot attend can sign and send a smaller Flamingo Fling card to Diana. These cards are available at Granger School in Feeding Hills or through a member of the event committee. A donation of any size is requested by the committee with the return of the card.

In designing the event, the committee decided to hold a "Chinese Auction" as part of the activities. The auction will feature a large number of items, such as certificates to restaurants, crafts, toys, and items from sports figures.

The items will be on display at the Flamingo Fling. People will be able to look at the different items and "bid" on them by putting in one or more tickets. The tickets will be available for purchase for 50 cents each. Starting at 7:00 p.m., the items will be "auctioned" off. In auctioning off the items, all the tickets deposited on that item will be brought to the auction stand and one ticket will be selected from among those deposited. Winners need not be present as long as they have written their name and telephone number on the back of the deposited tickets.

"We are hoping people will enjoy the auction and it will provide everyone, regardless of age or income, with the opportunity to participate in the effort to help Diana and perhaps even win a prize," noted Mrs. Heimann.

"We think Diana's spirits will really be boosted when she sees the videotapes of the event, hears the videograms from friends and sees all the Flamingo cards," she added. "Helping her feel supported is as important as every other part of her battle against the cancer."

Donations outside of the Flamingo Fling can be made directly to the Diana M. Sands Trust Fund, c/o WestBank, 1340 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.

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KATHY LAPIER and MURIEL ADELMAN were displaying their crafts at a Pre-Holiday Craft Fair at St. John's Church. SEE RELATED PHOTOS ON PAGE 26. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JEAN & PHIL RACHE were showing-off their wonderful wooden toys at a recent Crafts Fair at St. John's Church on Main Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Ninety-six dealer booths will provide collectors with one of New England's largest and most diverse ephemera shows. Dealers from all over the United States and Canada will exhibit their paper collectibles. Last year's show saw more than 3,000 buyers from institutions, private collectors, and dealers attend the two-day event. Everyone, from the newest collector to the most serious collector, will be able to find something of interest among items such as advertising, autographs, rare books, baseball cards, country store

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AHS Class Of 1985 Says "Last Call"

The Agawam High School Class of 1985 will hold its reunion on Wednesday, November 21st, at Shaker Farms Country Club.

The committee is unable to locate the following members. If your name is listed below or you know the whereabouts of any of the following people, please contact Alfred Ingham, 786-3922, Sharon Kiddy, 786-9609, or Lara Smith, 786-9008, by November 10th.

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Children's Communion Being Planned For Nov. 4th At Agawam Congregational Church

A Children's Communion for all students will be held on Sunday, November 4th, at 10:30 a.m., in the Agawam Congregational Church School Chapel for all students in kindergarten through sixth grade.

The deacons and Reverend Curt Fuller will explain the meaning and purpose of communion. All children are welcome to attend.

The American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts and WMAS are sponsoring a giant benefit auction on Friday, November 9th, at 6:30 p.m., starting with a preview of all items from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Over 200 items will be auctioned by Lynn Ugolini at 407 Park Avenue, West Springfield, the WestSide Auction Gallery. The Auction Gallery is smoke-free. It adopted that policy from the first year it operated.

Only a few examples of the items to be auctioned during the fun-filled event will be gift certificates to popular restaurants, art work, escape weekends, housewares, music boxes, porcelain pieces, jewelry, lace, limousine services, and much more.

The committee organizing the event is made up of Julie Ely, Bill McDonald, Judy Petrucci, Pauline Fitzgerald, and Lynn Ugolini. According to Julie Ely, chairwoman, the goal is to raise much needed funds to support asthma programs and emphysema classes. For more information, call the American Lung Association, 737-3506.

The third through sixth grade fellowship youth group of Agawam Congregational Church will be having a Craft Night, Friday, November 2nd, at 6:30 p.m. The crafts made that night will be available for sale at the November 17th church bazaar.

All third through sixth grade youths are invited to join in the fun and fellowship.

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"Apprentices," ages 14-adult, can learn to hammer metal, cook over an open hearth, weave baskets, work with tin, and learn the art of coopering at the educational workshops.

**West Springfield resident, Buster White, will introduce participants to metal fabrication in the Introduction to Blacksmithing workshop where they will create wrought iron hooks using a coal-fired forge, hammer, anvil, and tongs.

White learned the trade in the Village about six years ago and also works in the Blacksmith Shop during The Big E.

**Create a special dish, without a microwave, over an open fire in the Gilbert House kitchen. Great-grandmother really knew how to feed a family using only an open fireplace.

Join Lynne White for a lesson in Open Hearth Cooking and discover the intricate art of 19th century meal preparation. White, a West Springfield resident, learned the art of open hearth cooking in 1978 and has been demonstrating at the Village hearth since 1979.

**Springfield resident, Phyllis Birrell, learned basketweaving from an instructor about 10 years ago. Now people learn it from her in workshops such as Basketweaving, one of the workshops being offered in the Village.

Create a continuous weave basket, which can be used to gather vegetables and herbs from a garden or decorate a favorite place in your home. It can also be given as a gift during the holidays.

**Learn the art of turning raw wood into water-tight containers using 19th century hand tools such as a draw knife, jointer, inshave and shaving horse. Coopering is a craft that will be taught by Tom Kelleher, who has been teaching the art for six years.

Kelleher served as a trainer for the cooper shop at Old Sturbridge Village for several years and is now Coordinator of Historic Trades there.

**Produce your own cookie cutter, grater, or other small object from sheet tin. Using only a few small hand tools, like pliers, punches and hammers, participants will learn the craft of Tinsmithing from Tim Borey of Putnam, Connecticut. He has worked for Old Sturbridge Village for five years where he demonstrates various trades. The Tinsmithing workshop will run from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Most workshops cost \$20, with the exception of Open Hearth Cooking, which is \$30. All workshops include instruction and materials and advance registration is required. For more information, call the Museum office, 787-0136.

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**LEGAL
TIPS...**
Adverse Possession

by Attorney Michael Hooker
1325 Springfield St., Feeding Hills Center

There is an old legal concept in real estate referred to as adverse possession. In essence, some person other than the record owner, exercises possession rights which are adverse to the owner. In certain cases, the adjacent landowner may be able to claim ownership rights in this property analogous to "squatters rights."

The mnemonic device "OCEAN" sets forth the requirements that must be met; the use must be open, continuous, exclusive, adverse, and notorious. If any one of these elements is not present, the person exercising use over the property will not prevail in action to establish ownership by adverse possession.

If, for example, it can be shown that the owner also stored his things on the property at issue, then the opponent's actions are not exclusive. If the title owner gave permission, then the conduct is not adverse. If the person only stored goods intermittently, then it is not continuous.

Massachusetts law requires 20 years of exercise of rights to the property to qualify for ownership under this doctrine. The adverse possession scenario, while not terribly prevalent, does often occur. Consider, for example, a homeowner who places his fence six feet shy of his property line. If the neighbor mows the six feet on his side of the fence for 20 years, does he own it? Such a problem might not be dramatic for the title owner but it may raise big problems when he or she seeks to sell or finance the property. The lesson is, know where your property lines are and don't let others gain adverse possession rights. Do what needs to be done to spoil their standing.

**David J. Ross Promoted
In U.S. Air Force**

David J. Ross, son of Wendell B. Ross of Agawam, and Bonnie L. Fuller of 21 Flintstone Drive, Pittsfield, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman.

Ross is a fitness and recreation specialist at Misawa Air Base, Japan. He is a 1983 graduate of Pittsfield High School.

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Rev. Floyd Bryan Honored By Church

On Homecoming Sunday, October 21st, at the 10:30 a.m. service at Agawam Congregational Church, the Reverend Floyd C. Bryan was installed as Minister Emeritus.

This honor is bestowed upon ministers who have served a long and fruitful ministry to a local congregation.

Reverend Bryan provided such a pastorate to the Agawam Congregational Church by serving as Minister from November 14th, 1963 to December 31st, 1988. Following the service, Reverend Bryan, his wife, Phyllis, daughters, Janice and Valerie, son, John, and his four grandchildren received guests at a reception held in the Church Fellowship Hall.

Vincent Govoni Featured At Rosary Altar Society Meeting

The Rosary Altar Society of Sacred Heart Church of Feeding Hills will feature at its Tuesday, November 13th meeting Vincent R. Govoni as guest speaker.

Govoni, Funeral Director and partner of the Agawam Funeral Home will speak on pre-arranged funerals and cremation.

Members of the Rosary Altar Society are invited to bring a guest and parishioners are also welcome to attend.

Hostesses will be Anne Boucher, Nancy Doucette, Mary Malachowski, Annette Phaneuf, and Ann Waniewski.

Chicken Pie Supper At F.H. Congregational

The Annual Chicken Pie Supper of the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will be served at the church on North Westfield Street on Saturday, November 10th, with continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The menu includes chicken pie, whipped potato, butternut squash, green beans almandine, cranberry sauce, beet relish, rolls, beverage, apple and squash pies. Tickets for adults are \$6.50 and for children under eight, \$2.50.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. Earl Bradway, 786-1409, Mrs. Richard Taylor, 786-1935, or Mrs. William Horenstein, 786-9195.

Before and during the supper, there will be a mini-bazaar.

Polish American Club Holds Annual Dinner Oct. 20th

The Polish American Club held its Annual Dinner on Saturday, October 20th. Members and friends feasted on a delicious prime rib dinner, served with locally grown squash, carrots, cauliflower, and potatoes.

Chairman Ed Barako awarded plaques to the "Men of the Year," George & Frank Labun.

The Women's Auxiliary awarded two plaques to Janice Barako and Lorraine Labun.

Sounds of Music owner Richie Mitnick played organ music which was enjoyed by all. Club caterer Bob Harkins put on the meal.

Agawam Obituaries

Claude P. Acosta

Claude P. Acosta, 74, of 44 Amherst Avenue, Feeding Hills, a retired sergeant in charge of security at Bellevue Hospital in New York City, died at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in the Leeds section of Northampton. He retired in 1975 after 37 years' work at Bellevue.

Born in New York City, he lived in Springfield before moving to Feeding Hills in 1984. He was an Army veteran of World War II, and served in the Military Police. He served in the European, North African and Middle Eastern Theaters. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills.

He leaves his wife, the former Anna Langone, and several nieces and nephews. His son, Anthony Acosta, died in 1989.

The funeral was at Tazzini Funeral Home and the church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Lillian M. Nacewicz

Lillian N. (Attardi) Nacewicz, of 66 Norman Terrace, Feeding Hills, died Tuesday, October 23rd, in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

Born in the Thompsonville section of Enfield, she had lived in Feeding Hills since 1948. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church.

She leaves her husband, Edward S. Nacewicz; four sons, Edward S. Jr. of Agawam, Stephen M. of Springfield, Mark J. of Eau Clair, Wisconsin, and Robert L. of Feeding Hills; two brothers, Benjamin of Enfield and Savario of Windsor Locks; a sister, Angelina Lucia of Enfield, and nine grandchildren.

The funeral and burial were private. The Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home was in charge.

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METAMORPHOSIS:
A minister's view...
by Dr. Bob Murray
Pastor, Valley Community

Thanks—Again Psalm 104

I present a proclamation!

Let the days of November be set aside by all who care as a time of **Thanksgiving to God for His many blessings to us.**

Be it known that He is near in time of need. He walks by our side through the daily round.

He blesses us through the bounty of the land and the beauty of the landscape.

The stars speak His name by night, and the sun by day. All nature knows that; "He it is that hath made us and not we ourselves."

He sustains us. His nature inspires us. His very being fills us. We are His!

It is, therefore, fitting that a time be set aside to praise His name.

And the proclamation ends. But, the **Thanksgiving is only beginning.**

It begins with those who open their hearts to it. It begins with those who really hear and truly see the good things which He has provided for you and for me.

It is the product of those who appreciate. It fills those who are sensitive to it.

And all others will miss it completely!

Thanksgiving begins wherever people are truly thankful.

And for those people it **never ends.**

Agawam Senior Center Lunch Menu

Monday, November 5th: Barbecue ribs, homemade creole sauce, baked beans, cole slaw, rye bread, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, November 6th: Turkey vegetable soup, stuffed shells, broccoli, Canadian oat bread, birthday cake.

Wednesday, November 7th: Meatloaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, whole wheat bread, tossed salad, lemon pudding with whipped topping.

Thursday, November 8th: Chicken supreme, potato puffs, baby Belgium carrots, oatmeal bread, pineapple tidbits.

Friday, November 9th: Seafood salad on puffed pastry, pasta salad, three bean salad, rye bread, fruit jello.

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Sacred Heart Church Slates Holiday Bazaar

Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills is having a Holiday Bazaar on Friday, November 16th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, November 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There are many new and varied items offered this year. The special room for children to do their shopping will again be open (and to have their gifts wrapped); many kinds of Christmas ornaments have been made, including Victorian Tree Ornaments; harvest vegetables for your holiday meal, a Chinese Auction; new and used toys and sporting equipment; Attic Treasures; handmade mittens, hats, scarfs; decorated baskets, wreaths, flower arrangements, a

"Gem" Shop, and much more!

The children in the parish have entered a coloring contest and their pictures will be on display. There is, of course, Santa to have your picture with, plus a mail box to mail a letter to Santa (with help writing it if needed), religious articles for children, besides their own shopping room.

All kinds of foods will be available—home baked cookies, cakes, bread, candy, and a snack bar to stop and have a bite to eat.

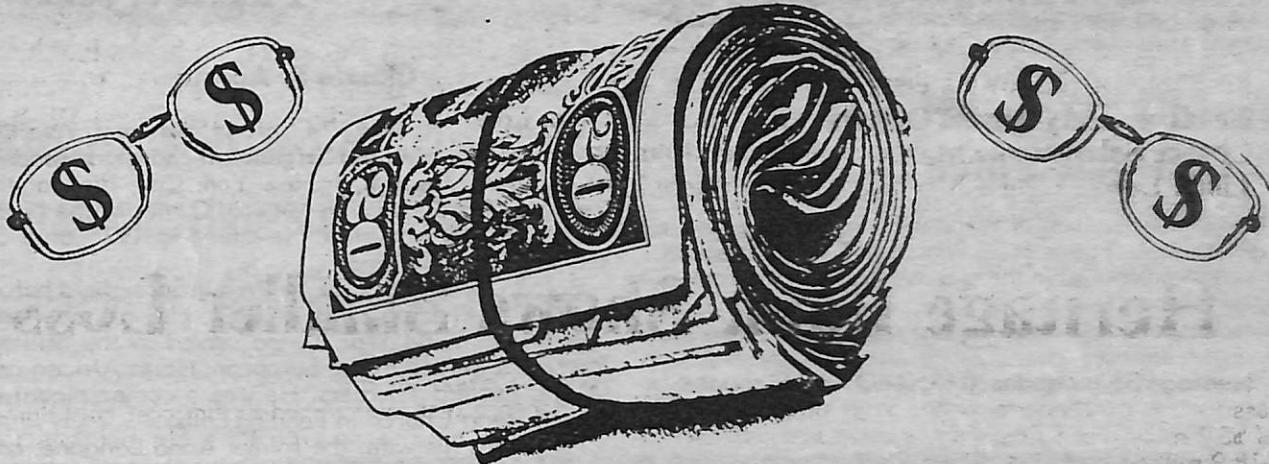
The Bazaar is sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society. Carol Lehberger is the coordinator, with Kay Rau assisting.

St. Theresa's Church Plans Holiday Gift & Craft Bazaar

St. Theresa's Parish, 74 Bridge Street, North Agawam, is holding its Annual Gift and Craft Bazaar on Saturday, November 17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. This holiday event is being held at the Parish Center at the corner of Bridge and Cooley Streets.

Handmade crafts, baked goods, stuffed animals, and raffle items will be available. A special treat will be the arrival of Santa Claus at 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Claus will be taking pictures of this jolly old man with all good boys and girls until 2:00 p.m. See you here! And, Happy Holidays!

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Spotlight On Business

Fitness First Honors "Bosses Day"



ON BOSSES DAY, Friday, October 19th, Fitness First Health & Racquet Club held a luncheon for some of the town's employers at Alexander's Restaurant. Back row, from left - Raymond Gendron, Gary Arnold, Dave Perkins, Jack Brosnan, Ed Lynch, Wylie Hubbard, Terry Phelps, Charlie Schroth, and Mayor Christopher Johnson. Seated - Joanne Schroth, Christine Gendron, Linda Lewis, Denise Moffatt, and Beth Scholpp. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SHARON-KATHLEEN SCAMACCA

AccuData Opens Office In Feeding Hills Center

On October 4th, Sharon-Kathleen Scamacca of West Springfield opened AccuData, Inc., in the Crossroads Shoppes, Feeding Hills Center. AccuData provides direct mailing computer services, database consulting, and mailing/marketing lists.

AccuData employs three full-time plus several freelance and part-time people, all of who have had an extensive background in mailing lists and direct marketing.

AccuData services hundreds of clients ranging from Hawaii to Maine. Its specialty is in hard-to-find prospect lists that are available on peel and stick labels and computer discs. They can also generate personalized letters and envelopes for mailings of 1,000 to 100,000 pieces.

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Schluter Elected As President & COO Of Heritage Bancorp.

Heritage Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: HNIS) announced that Fredric E. Schluter, III was elected president and chief operating officer at Heritage Bancorp and Heritage Bank at a meeting of the respective Boards of Directors held October 24th. Schluter is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Schluter joined Heritage in May of 1989 as chief financial officer and was previously employed by Golembe Associates, Inc. of Washington, D.C. in their Boston office. Schluter holds a bachelor of arts in economics from Boston University and a master of business administration in finance from Cornell University. He is married and has two children.

The position of president has been vacant since a management restructuring in March of 1990. Elected as chief financial officer to succeed Schluter was Charles Jeffrey of Northampton, presently senior vice president in the Finance Division.

Jeffrey joined the bank in February 1989, and was previously employed by Bank of America in various management positions, including chief financial officer of the Payments Services Division. Jeffrey holds a bachelor of arts in economics from Williams College and a master's degree in international economics from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. In 1971, he was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship.

In commenting on these management changes, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard B. Covell stated that the promotions of both Schluter and Jeffrey to key management positions is a strongly positive move for Heritage Bank. Each of the officers brings unique and varied experience to the organization and in their new positions, enhance management depth at a time when the banking industry is undergoing severe challenges.

Heritage Bank Shows Smaller Loss

Heritage Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: HNIS) reported a loss for the third quarter ended September 30th, 1990 of \$5.7 million or \$.78 per share compared to losses of \$18.9 million and \$8.4 million for the first and second quarters of 1990 respectively. The loss was primarily the result of a \$7.5 million provision for possible loan losses. In addition, \$12.5 million in non-performing loans were charged off during the third quarter. For the nine months ended September 30th, 1990 the net loss was \$33.0 million or \$4.53 per share compared to a net loss of \$10.9 million or \$1.49 per share for the same period in 1989.

At September 30th, 1990, non-performing loans were \$90.6 million, other real estate owned totaled \$11.6 million, while in-substance foreclosures equaled \$31.3 million, bringing total non-performing assets to \$133.5 million. With this quarter's provision for loan losses and charge-offs, the period-end loan loss reserve was \$30.1 million, representing 33.22 percent of non-performing loans and 22.54 percent of non-performing assets. Chairman Richard B. Covell commented, "While our income statement has shown improvement over the past two quarters, the Bank's level of non-performing loans is still of primary concern and focus. If the region's economy continues to remain in difficulty, then additional losses and charge-offs will be likely in the future."

In addition, Heritage announced that as a result of its recently completed regulatory examination by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, it is discussing arrangements with federal and state banking regulators regarding corrective measures that will be required to be taken in light of the examination report. These discussions may result in formal orders or agreements addressing, among other things, increased capital requirements or the formation of written plans of action to address non-performing and adversely classified assets. Chairman Covell stated, "We hope that these discussions will yield measures that will strengthen Heritage and reinforce the prudent conduct

of this Company's affairs."

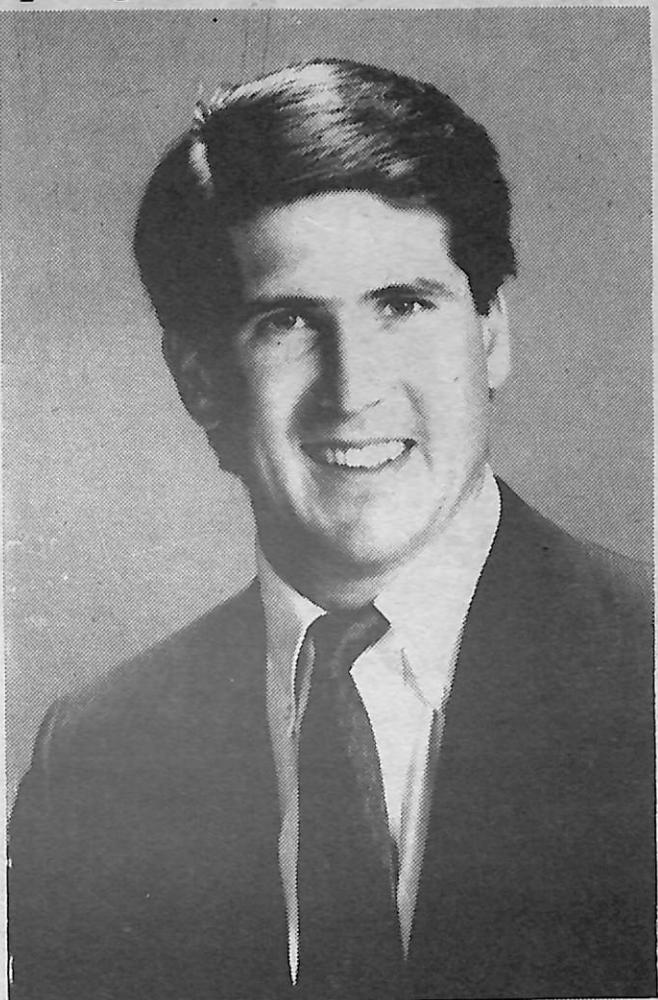
Heritage also announced further cost containment measures being taken. The Bank has petitioned the Commissioner of Banks for permission to close its branch office located at Mountain Farms Mall in Hadley. As previously announced, Heritage plans to close its Lamb Street, South Hadley office early in 1991 and is proceeding with preparations at the nearby Newton Street, South Hadley branch to accommodate the absorption of the Lamb Street customer base into that office. In the area of staff reduction, the Bank has recently eliminated 10 positions, including five officer positions. Heritage is currently operating with 52 fewer positions, which includes the prior elimination of unfilled positions, than were planned for in the 1990 budget. Commenting on these matters, Chairman Covell stated that, "While these are difficult and painful decisions to make, the Company must forge ahead with efforts to reduce expenses and take actions designed to return this Company to profitability."

In a related area, Heritage acted on its plans to increase its core deposit base by introducing two new deposit products during September which target distinct segments of its market area. The first, "Basic Banking," is a checking account designed for the local area's large student population. The second, "Advantage 50," is geared to the over 50 age group and combines both bank and non-bank products into one package. Covell remarked, "Strengthening the Bank's local deposit base will decrease the Bank's use of less desirable funding sources. The new products have been received with enthusiasm by the communities we serve, and all sales goals for the first month have been surpassed. We are very pleased with the results of these programs so far."

Heritage Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of Heritage Bank for Savings, a Massachusetts-chartered FDIC-insured savings bank with assets of \$1,566.1 million at September 30th, 1990, operating 27 offices in Western Massachusetts.

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Dr. Stephen W. McKenna Joins Orthodontics Practice

Dr. Stephen W. McKenna announces the opening of his office for the practice of orthodontics. He will practice with his father, Paul J. McKenna, D.M.D., at both 1500 Main Street (the Bay Bank Tower) in Springfield and at 1325 Springfield Street (the Community Shops plaza) in Feeding Hills.

He is a graduate of Portsmouth Abbey School in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, Holy Cross College in Worcester, and Tufts School of Dental Medicine in Boston. Dr. McKenna did a one-year residency in pediatric dentistry at Tufts and was an instructor in oral diagnosis at Tufts while working toward his post-graduate degree. He received his post-graduate diploma in orthodontics from Tufts School of Dental Medicine in July 1990 where he was the valedictorian of his class.

He is the grandson of the late Dr. Paul J. McKenna, Sr. and the late William P. Collins, both of Springfield. He is married to the former Ellen Ferrucci of Milton, and resides in Agawam.

Despite Slow Economy, Growth Strong For Westfield Savings

Westfield Savings Bank held its quarterly Trustees meeting on November 16th at Storrorton Tavern. President Donald Williams reported quarterly gross income of \$735,156 and total deposits in excess of \$300 million. Total deposits rose \$5,536,709 to \$303,587,135 while bank assets grew \$5,607,960 to \$35,968,808. Income for the year is now \$2,581,786.

Williams noted that, "Westfield Savings Bank is in a strong position and continues to show solid growth despite the widely reported slowdown in the economy." He attributed this to the bank's "...continued focus on serving the individual depositor and maintenance of its core mortgage and consumer lending business." This is evidenced by third quarter mortgage growth of over \$3.2 million.

Westfield Savings Bank renewed its commitment to the revitalization of downtown Westfield. In anticipation of continued growth, the bank announced that it is renovating the old HAPCO building next to the Westfield Savings Bank main office on Elm Street. The new facility will soon be the home of the bank's Operations Department.

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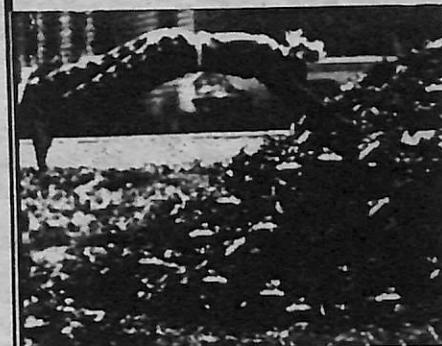


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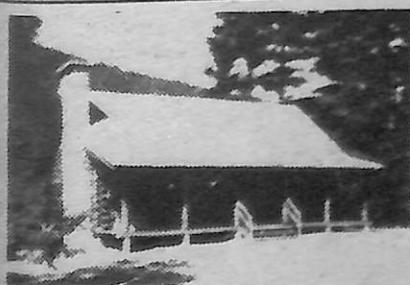
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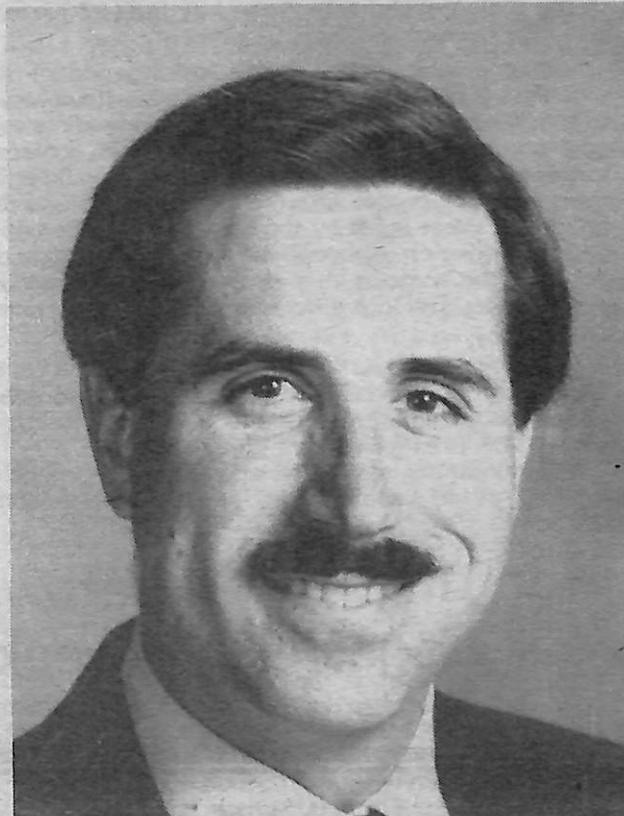
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BY Drs. Joseph & Katherine Schlaffer - Chiropractors



The doctor of the future will give no medicine, but will interest his patients in the care of the human frame, in diet, and in the cause and prevention of disease. The preceding statement is attributed to Thomas Edison.

The Idea Of Health Maintenance

Maintaining physical fitness and practicing preventive health care appears to be a new concept because of the recent media coverage given to the benefits of staying well versus seeking a cure to a health problem after it becomes known. However, this is not a new approach. Chiropractic, from its early beginnings, has endorsed this idea of "wellness."

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Mercy Hospital Hearing Center Coming To Ag. Senior Center

Mercy Hospital's Mobile Hearing Center will provide free hearing screenings and hearing aid checks at the Agawam Senior Center, on Thursday, November 15th, at 9:00 a.m. Full diagnostic hearing tests, evaluations, fittings, sales, and service of hearing aids and assistive listening devices can also be scheduled, on a fee for service basis.

The hearing van's audiology equipment is operated by two nationally certified audiologists from the Speech, Hearing, and Language Center at Mercy Hospital. Access to the free screenings and hearing aid checks is limited; please call 786-0400, extension 242.

About Your "Color" Vision...

by Dr. Richard W. Gallerani
Optometrist, Crossroad Shoppes
20 Southwick St., Feeding Hills

One part of our vision that we take for granted is our color vision. The ability to detect color is a complicated neurologic process that is still not completely understood. There are many people who have defects in this mechanism and are color deficient or color blind.

It is theorized that the eyes have pigments which detect the three primary colors; red, green, and blue. People who have all three receptor pigments are called trichromats. A trichromat who has a deficiency in one pigment is color deficient. One who is deficient in red pigment is called protanomalous, one deficient in green is deutanomalous and in blue tritanomalous. These individuals see all colors but will confuse colors or will see different hues of reds, greens, or blues as same. The most common is green deficient (5 percent of the male population) followed by red (1.3 percent) and blue (rare at less than .01 percent).

Someone who is completely lacking one of the pigments is called a dichromat and sees with only two of the three primary colors. Those missing red are called protans, green deutans, and blue tritans. Someone in this group may see all shades of brown and green as the same. The people with this defect are able to differentiate street lights by the brightness of the lights and their position. Although the red and green light do not look the same as they do for a color normal individual they still look different from each other to the dichromat.

Finally, one who is missing all the pigments is called a monochromat and is truly color blind. An individual with monochromatism sees the world as black and white. This is extremely rare.

The conditions mentioned above are all genetic in nature. An individual inherits these conditions. Some

eye diseases such as macular degeneration or diabetes can damage the area where color vision is detected. These can result in acquired color vision defects. These are more of a concern since visual acuity is lost along with color vision.

It is interesting to consider the genetics of color deficiencies. Most are sex-linked. Briefly, a male has an X and a Y chromosome. The X comes from his mother (females have two X chromosomes) and the Y is from his father. The Y chromosome has no information on it except to determine the sex of the individual. Therefore, a young man who is color deficient gets this from his mother. His mother's father would have to be color blind. If his father is color blind but his maternal grandfather is not he will be normal (confused yet?). Because the color deficient information is carried on the X chromosome, girls are color deficient much less often than boys. Females get an X chromosome from their father and an X from their mother. Both X chromosomes from each parent would have to be defective for a girl to be color blind. So, if a girl's father is color blind and her maternal grandfather is color blind, she might be color blind. This is a very rare occurrence.

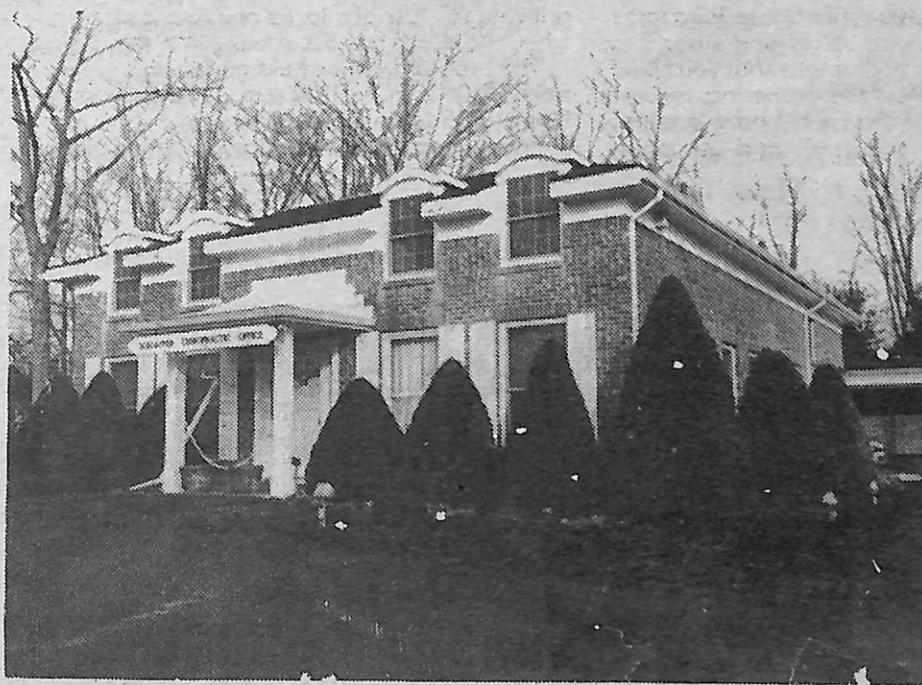
Although color deficiencies rarely affect someone's lifestyle, it is important to know about it since it may impact a career choice. Often police, electronic and maritime careers require normal color vision. Many lights or wires are color coded in these occupations.

There are a number of tests to determine color deficiencies with different specificity. While there is no cure, a contact lens has been developed (called the X Chrome lens) to aid in seeing color. While this lens does help in enhancing color contrast and helps to pass some of the color vision tests, it is controversial as to whether it helps in everyday color appreciation.

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Bereavement During The Holiday Season

by Lila Forastiere
Staff Grief Consultant
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When a loved one has died, the prospect of the upcoming holiday season often is one of dread rather than of joyous anticipation. Holidays are typically rich in traditions, full of plans made together and family gatherings which point out all too clearly the missing place at the table.

If the death has occurred within the last year, family members and friends usually try to be quite supportive, but typically they try to "help" from their own perspective of what THEY think you need.

If it has been over a year since the death, many friends and relatives think that you should be "all better" ...that your life (and the holidays) should be back to "normal." Those of you who have experienced the death of a loved one know that this just isn't true. Sometimes the expectations of others about how you SHOULD BE doing, make you feel that there is something "wrong" with you in that you're not "over this yet."

Please take heart—there is nothing wrong with YOU...there's something wrong with our society's expectations concerning those who are grieving.

The process of grief is a process of transition. It starts at the time you learn the news that your loved one has died (or is dying) to the time you can live again with some joy and love. This transition takes lots of time (and work) and we all make this transition in our own way. This article is not one which discusses the process of grief in detail, but you need to keep a few facts in mind as we discuss how to cope with the holiday season:

1. The grief process is very complicated and highly individual; each person needs to grieve in his or her OWN WAY.

2. The grief process is full of hills and valleys (or mountains and reveries!); we don't feel better day by day but have many set-backs.

3. Time alone does not get us beyond the grief; time does dull the intensity of the pain but it takes hard work to live again with renewed joy.

4. You are the only expert of your own grief; no one can tell you what's right for you.

5. Grief is REAL, it is felt in body, mind, and spirit; it is necessary to allow the feelings in order for the healing to occur; it is a normal, natural, and HEALTHY process...grief in itself is healing.

This article contains no magic answers, but it is intended to present some ideas you might like to try.

PLANNING is the key to coping with the season. Just letting the season bring what it may, can be disastrous in terms of emotional energy. By actively thinking about what you would like to happen, what you need to have happen and what is not important to you, puts you in charge of your own grief and helps you to get through this time with the least amount of stress possible.

First of all, it is not possible to keep the "presence" of the deceased OUT of the holiday...NOR SHOULD IT BE. To try to pretend everything is the same is a

futile attempt and only saps the little energy you might have. You need to allow time for grief and for remembering in holiday "plans."

A good first step is to take pen and paper and write down the things you are dreading concerning the holidays. Take a break and re-read what you have written. Sometimes just forcing yourself to put feelings and thoughts into words, gives a new perspective...free floating dread is a stopper to any enjoyment.

Look at each "dread" and walk yourself through it in your mind. Ask yourself "what's the worst thing that could happen?" How do you see yourself responding? Is there an alternate way you'd like to respond? Practice in your mind that response...practicing in your mind is almost as good as the actual experiencing of it. Now that the "worst" things have been faced, the actual experiences can't be as upsetting!

The next step is examining and prioritizing. You need to make a list of every single holiday preparation and activity that you usually do (no matter how small) and then evaluate each one. Think about the BIG picture...the meaning of the holiday to you—what details can be omitted or changed and still keep that meaning?

For many people this examining step is a matter of tradition vs. non-tradition. While on one hand, traditional observances offer security and are done automatically so we don't have to think or make a change, they also can tug painfully at our heartstrings. On the other hand, celebrating in a new way, may provide a way to circumvent some of the pain while retaining the meaning that you seek.

After you have evaluated your list and decided what is important to you and what can be omitted you need to consider some NEW ideas. The holiday season won't be the same for you...it CAN'T be. By consciously making it "different" it lessens the pain of being different because it puts YOU in control of the change (It's "different" because I made it so!).

It could be a major change or several little things. A major change is one where the whole holiday is different from the "normal." For example, one family celebrated Thanksgiving at an old inn in Vermont rather than having the day at home, while another spent the day working in a soup kitchen serving the homeless.

The little changes can be anything like how, when or if you do your shopping and wrapping; how, when or if you decorate your home; the kind of family gathering; the food to be served—even the time of day the celebration occurs can be altered. The changes that can occur are only limited by our own ideas!

To illustrate what is meant by "changes" let us consider the example that on Christmas Day the entire extended family usually gathers at your house for a large traditional sit-down dinner with china and silver and linens. There are a multitude of changes that you could create: have someone else host the gathering; request each family to bring part of the meal; have a buffet style meal rather than a "sit-down" and use paper

goods for easy clean up; instead of dinner this year have everyone eat dinner on their own and just come for dessert and coffee; open presents before dinner instead of after (or visa versa); change the time of the get-together. You need to change as many things as you can while still retaining the importance of being together as a family.

You also need to plan an "alone time" ...a time just for you when you can allow yourself to focus your thoughts and love on the deceased. You need to plan when during the day and how to spend this time. (For example: from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon). Again, these plans are highly individualized...some people sit in a chair and gaze out a window reflecting, while others go through picture albums of holidays past, while still others write a long letter to their loved one saying all the things in their hearts. Again, you need to do what's right for you.

By focusing your attention on your missing loved one during a certain time span, you can then focus your attention for the rest of the day onto the loved ones who are still with you...for that is the lesson of death...we need to love those around us while we have them because we know all too well that life is temporary; life is fragile; life is precious; Life is a gift.

Remember that your focus this year needs to be on yourself. What do you need to happen to keep the meaning of the holiday? What do you need to omit for your emotional survival? Remember that you are already pulling a heavy emotional load and don't have the stamina to pile on your usual schedule of holiday activities. Look for ways to simplify and to eliminate the unnecessary to reduce pressure. Inform others who will be affected by your decisions about your plans and your reasons behind them. Ask for understanding, but if you don't get it, don't worry about it (what you do or don't do is a matter of emotional survival—you can't worry about other people's understanding or approval...you are the expert of your own grief).

Remember, also, that you need to balance your love and time. You need to focus on the one who is no longer physically here and you need to focus on the loved ones who are...life IS precious.

Because we realize that the holiday season can be a difficult one for those who have lost a loved one, we have developed an annual program called "Handling the Holidays." It is offered free of charge to the community by the Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes.

The program will be presented by the funeral home's Staff Grief Consultant, Lila Forastiere, who is a nationally recognized bereavement educator and counselor. It is designed specifically for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one and is especially useful when the death has occurred within the last two years.

The program will be held on Sunday, November 4th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Colonial Funeral Home, 985 Main Street, Agawam.

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Drs. Calvin Ezrin and Robert Kowalski, in their newly published book, *The Endocrine Control Diet*, give kudos to Twinlabs for their excellent TwinFast product. The following excerpt from their book reveals an interesting comparison.

"The Twin Laboratories Company of New York has developed an excellent product called **TwinFast**, which is superior to the Optifast and Medifast formulations in many ways. First and foremost, the TwinFast drinks taste much better. The mixes come in vanilla, chocolate, and strawberry flavors, and you can expand the flavor range by adding a few drops of food flavor extracts such as orange or almond. It is made with high-quality protein from milk and eggwhites rather than soy. The nutrition content compares favorably with Optifast, with three servings providing 100 percent of the U.S. Recommended Daily Allowances for all vitamins and minerals as well as for protein. TwinFast provides a full 700 mg. of potassium per serving, more than a medium banana. That means if you're using **TwinFast once or twice a day, you won't have to take a prescribed potassium supplement.**

"One serving of TwinFast, a rounded scoop as provided in the package mixed with an eight-ounce glass of water, provides 80 calories. It can be used to replace one or two meals. For those following the 800-calorie menu plan, for example, it could be used to replace breakfast, lunch, and the afternoon snack. That would add up to 240 calories, leaving 560 calories available for dinner.

"TwinFast is an excellent addition to the Endocrine Control Diet during all three phases of the program. During stabilization you might want to use it less frequently than during the weight loss phase, relying more on natural foods. But it will still come in handy when eating according to the menu plan is impossible. During the maintenance phase you might wish to use it to replace lunch or to satisfy the need for a midday snack. Whenever you use it, you'll know exactly what you're getting per serving: 80 calories, 15 grams of protein, only 5 grams of carbohydrate, and less than 1 gram of fat.

"TwinFast could be used to replace all natural food during a period of weight loss, just as protein mixes are used in hospital-based programs. It is the first commercially available mix that provides for a protein-sparing modified-fast diet by way of its high-protein, low-carbohydrate formulation."

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Asthma Management With Lung Association Scheduled For Noble Hospital Nov. 12th

An Asthma Management Class for children with asthma and their parents, sponsored by the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts (ALAWM) and Noble Hospital, will start Monday, November 12th, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., at Noble Hospital. This program is designed to help those with asthma become better managers of this chronic disease and will take place on four consecutive Mondays.

Asthma can affect anyone...the young, the old, the rich, the poor, people of all races and creeds. More than nine million Americans suffer from this chronic inflammatory lung disease. The prevalence rate of asthma has increased 33 percent between 1970 and 1987. 9.7 million people in the United States suffer from asthma. Three million of them are under the age of 18.

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There is no licensed vaccine for general use in humans. To minimize risk residents should take the following precautions to protect against EE:

1. If you live near or are visiting areas with large fresh-water swamps, use mosquito repellent and wear long-sleeve shirts and long pants, especially at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are out in the largest numbers.

2. Take special care to cover-up children who may be playing near swampy areas. Do not leave infants outdoors in uncovered carriages or playpens.

3. Avoid overnight camping in fresh-water swamp areas.

4. Be sure that screens are securely fastened to all doors and windows of your house and eliminate areas of stagnant water around your house where mosquitoes can breed.

5. When using insecticides use them according to label directions.

A Virus That's "For The Birds"

by Agawam Health Dept.

Eastern Encephalitis (EE) is a serious but very rare illness caused by a virus carried by wild birds that live in fresh-water swamp areas. The virus is transmitted among the birds by the female of one species of swamp-breeding mosquito not known to bite humans. Normally, the virus remains confined to these birds and mosquitoes, but occasionally there is a spillover of the virus into other species of mosquitoes that may bite humans. It is not currently known how this spillover occurs. The time of highest risk of transmission of the virus to humans is from late July through September. The risk of EE transmission ends after one or two frosts, and the adult mosquitoes involved in the transmission of EE are killed.

EE has been an annual concern in the southeastern part of the state, and appears to occur only in the larger fresh-water swamps of Eastern Massachusetts. Only a few scattered cases of EE in humans or horses have been reported west of Worcester or on Cape Cod.

EE is characterized by swelling of the brain, and has an incubation period of between two and 10 days. Early symptoms include a fever of between 103-106 degrees, stiff neck, headache, and a feeling of lethargy. The disease progresses rapidly, and many patients are in a coma within a week. Approximately half

of these patients die or suffer permanent neurological damage. EE also occurs in horses, but a vaccine has been developed for horses which is highly effective. A person or horse who has contacted EE is not infectious, and someone exposed to a horse or person with EE would not contract the disease.

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help prevent asthma attacks, reduce severity of attacks, help parents and child work more closely with physicians, help understand prescribed therapy, decrease emergency room visits, increase child's level of activity, and decrease parent and child anxiety related to asthma.

Diane LaCroix, R.R.T., and Beverly Krok, C.R.T.T., will be the class leaders. "All children and parents will learn new skills and information," said Phyllis Austin-Bertera, Program Manager from ALAWM. "In a group program, participants also enjoy meeting and sharing experiences with other people in similar situations. By learning to prevent and control serious attacks, they come to use emergency services less and enjoy a better quality of life with less disruption from asthma," Austin-Bertera said. To register for this cost free course, call Noble Hospital, 568-2811, extension 430.

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Feeding Hills Resident Having A Ball Teaching In Crowded Shanghai

Richard Femmel of Feeding Hills, a 1976 graduate of Agawam High School, is in Shanghai, China, for one year teaching international economics, marketing, and finance at China Textile University. Mr. Femmel has forwarded a series of articles about his adventures in the Far East to us for publication. His parents, Mr. & Mrs. John Femmel of 116 Letendre Avenue, Feeding Hills, paid a visit to China to see their son in May. The trip lasted for three weeks. This is the first in a series of articles.

"The first impression a Westerner has of China is arriving at the Shanghai Airport. Shanghai, with a population size equaling New York City, has an airport smaller than Bradley International Airport. There are few gift shops, newsstands, restaurants or even people in the airport.

I arrived at 8:30 p.m. on a Friday night to an almost empty airport (unlike in the United States where a Friday night would be extremely busy at any airport).

"Passing through customs in any foreign country can make anyone a little nervous because you never know what to expect. And in a Communist country, it can be even more intimidating. When I arrived at the custom's counter to have my luggage inspected, I was immediately waved through without any official ever looking through my bags.

"After last year's June 4th massacre in Tiananmen Square, the Chinese government is anxious to create a picture of total calm and order in China. What better way than to treat Western visitors arriving in China without any suspicion?

"I live on campus in a special building for foreign teachers and university guests. I have my own private room the size of a college dormitory room. This may not sound special but in crowded Shanghai where living conditions have sometimes been described as squalid, a single room is a luxury. Students at my school are eight to a room. Their room with eight people in it is the same size as my single room.

"I also have my own private bathroom. We get hot water daily from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. My room contains the usual room furniture along with a refrigerator, color television, and air conditioning. Unlike most other buildings and apartments in Shanghai, my room has heat.

"I have daily maid service and if I need it, daily laundry service is provided at an extremely low price. Most things in China are very cheap. For example, I pay about 16 cents for a haircut.

"I teach 10 to 12 hours a week. Most teachers at our school teach between zero and four hours a week. Classes run from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

"There are three other American teachers at my school. Their ages are 29, 26, and 23. Two of them teach English and one teaches fashion design. They are from Minneapolis, Washington, D.C., and San Francisco.

"The one thing no one can avoid in Shanghai is people. They are everywhere. Until you have been to Shanghai you have never seen a real 'crowd.'

"Wherever you go in Shanghai there are people. Shanghai people are not quiet and polite like the Japanese. Shanghai people are a loud, boisterous, argumentative people. A simple dialogue between two people in Shanghai can sound like a major argument. It is not uncommon to see two Chinese people verbally yelling at each other while 30 people stand around and watch.

"The most crowded part of Shanghai is the public busses (Shanghai is currently building a subway). The busses are crowded from morning until late at night. The only way for Chinese people to get around is by bicycle or public bus. Chinese people can't afford cars.

"Even if they could afford a car the local Shanghai Government limits how many cars are allowed on the streets. Shanghai, a city of 13 million, has an infrastructure to support a population of one-tenth of the present population. This is one of the factors that



FEEDING HILLS RESIDENT RICHARD FEMMEL with friends near the Great Wall of China.



RICHARD FEMMEL IN SHANGHAI outside a bulletin board. If you look closely enough, it can be read on the right board that he is holding an English lecture with fellow teacher Dina Fesler.

makes Shanghai so crowded.

"To get more people on the bus, they take most of the seats out. I have sat in one of the few seats on a bus less than 5 percent of the time. Almost everyone stands. And when you are standing, you are jammed in with people. Usually you are so close to people your face is about a few inches from the person's face standing next to you. The busses on a hot day in Shanghai in the summer is not enjoyable. The cost of riding a bus is about 4 cents. There are no bus transfer passes.

"One of the most difficult things about riding the busses is getting on and off. It is sometimes impossible to get off a bus at the stop you want. If you are in the middle of the bus you have to fight your way through the crowd to reach the door. Sometimes you can't get to the door before the bus leaves.

"Getting on a bus is interesting. Unlike in Japan where the Japanese people wait patiently and politely to get on a bus, in Shanghai the people start pushing and shoving to get on the bus even before the doors open.

"In Shanghai you don't get on the bus, you're pushed on the bus. I've told people that the most dangerous place in Shanghai is standing in front of the bus doors as they are about to open.

"Surprisingly, in a city as large as Shanghai, crime is almost non-existent. It is perfectly safe to walk alone anywhere in Shanghai at any time of the night. China is very tough on criminals who commit acts of violence. Criminals are dealt with quickly and severely.

NEXT WEEK - HOUSING CONDITIONS IN SHANGHAI

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Exhibit Of Agawam's Marion L. Leger Now On Display At Agawam Public Library

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce an exhibit of the work of Marion L. Leger in the gallery of the library during the month of November.

Ms. Leger won first prize for her tatting (a kind of lace made by hand with a small shuttle) designs at the Eastern States Exposition this year. She was taught the art back in the 30's by her mother, but did not begin creating seriously until 1985. Ms. Leger's collection consists of a variety of intricately patterned doilies, collars, jewelry, and handkerchief edgings.

Ms. Leger has been a resident of Agawam since 1948, and had taught oil painting and ceramics from her home for 25 years. All of her interests have been in the arts, including watercolor, doll making, knitting, crocheting, and tatting.

Due to the popularity of his watercolor exhibit, the works of John Wiley will be displayed for the second consecutive month in the gallery of the library.

Both exhibits can be viewed anytime during library hours which are Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library will be closed on Monday, November 12th, for Veteran's Day, and Thursday, November, 22nd for Thanksgiving.

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The acclaimed musical *Man Of La Mancha* takes place in a prison where the poet Cervantes has been placed by the Inquisition. Before a jury of his fellow prisoners, Cervantes brings alive his character Don Quixote, the idealistic knight. By the power of his imagination the Don turns a kitchen slut into a lady, an inn into a castle, and a disturbing world into a dream. By the end even hard-bitten criminals are singing his theme song "The Impossible Dream."

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Will Bond Dominates StageWest's Opener, *Night Must Fall*

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

StageWest's season opener, *Night Must Fall*, is—despite its nine-member cast—virtually a one-man show. Will Bond's show.

This Emlyn Williams play, first produced in London in 1935, is a murder story, but even more a thriller—a suspenseful, nail-biting, breath-holding excursion into terror that could easily have been an inspiration to the likes of Alfred Hitchcock, who was a contemporary of Williams.

The setting is a secluded English cottage, and a household headed by the wheelchair-bound Mrs. Bramson, played superbly by television and Broadway actress Pauline Flanagan.

As the story unfolds, a murder has been committed in the woods adjoining the cottage and the household, comprised of Bramson, her housekeeper Mrs. Terrence (Ellen Lauren), her maid Dora (Laura Richman), and her niece Olivia (Shelley Williams).

Enter Dan (Will Bond), a gregarious, ingratiating youth who works his way into Mrs. Bramson's affections—and her household.

Flanagan gives a wonderful performance as the domineering matriarch who rules by intimidation and manipulation, using her infirmities and her wheelchair as means to her own ends (namely the subservience of those around her).

Bond has the wily, gadabout look that first charms then slowly hints of something more, something deeper, something sinister, and ultimately something lethal.

Under the direction of StageWest veteran John Tyson, the play initially meanders, leaving audiences wondering for those first fifteen minutes if anything is going to happen. It does.

Tyson crafts his scenes skillfully, allowing even an obviously telegraphed action to jump up, out and at the audience, generating a scream or two and not a few patrons who literally jumped out of their seats. Me included, and I've seen enough such plays to know better.

Even as I said to myself "I know someone's there. I know someone's there." When someone was there so suddenly, my feet shot out from under me and I nearly lost my aisle seat.

As Bramson succumbs to her own terror, as Bond descends into murderous insanity, the characters are no longer characters; they have become all too real.

Tyson's effectively hooked the audience and reeled them in.

Williams, as the seemingly schoolmarmish niece, provides an excellent foil for the subtle dynamics of this cast and, paired with Ben Scranter as her ambivalent suitor Hubert, round out the family circle. Williams, too, becomes a character to watch as she breaks away from her stereotype in a scene of almost macabre eroticism in the final act.

Lauren, as the sharp-tongued housekeeper, has some of the funniest, tension-breaking lines and actions in an otherwise taut and tension-filled production.

Kermit Brown as Inspector Belsize, Kelly Maurer as Nurse Libby, and StageWest artistic director Eric Hill as the voice of the Lord Chief Justice round out this cast.

StageWest has opened with a winner; *Night Must Fall* is a "must" for devotees of theater at its best.



SHELLEY WILLIAMS as Olivia Grayne and Pauline Flanagan as Mrs. Bramson in StageWest's production of "Night Must Fall."

This Week At The Movies

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

—Reversal of Fortune

"Is he the devil?"

"And if so, can the devil get justice?"

Jeremy Irons literally emanates cold, calculating evil as the accused and later acquitted (attempted) murderer Claus von Bulow in Warner Brothers' *Reversal of Fortune*, a courtroom drama rich in flashbacks, opulent settings, and tabloid-like views into the lives and lies of the rich and famous.

The story is told from a unique perspective—that of the comatose Sunny von Bulow, purportedly the victim of botched murder attempts by her philandering husband.

Five-time Oscar nominee Glenn Close gives an artistic and articulate portrayal of a woman who had it all and lost it (or perhaps, just perhaps, threw it all away). She narrates some of the film, a voice from outside the comatose, emaciated body curled fatally into a hospital bed unlike any you've ever seen before. She plays the scorned woman, the drug-addicted mother, the bored wife, and a host of characters in-between as director Barbet Schroeder tells variations on a theme of what might have been in the von Bulow household.

Irons is stunning; you can't help but hate him, yet the fascination (almost morbid) remains. His impenetrable exterior masks the enigma within as he forms an uneasy alliance with his polar opposite, Jewish Harvard lawyer/professor Alan Dershowitz, scruffily portrayed by a bespectacled Ron Silver.

Together they create a study in contrast; perfect foils and unlikely allies in a search for truth, for the answers to what really happened in Clarendon Court, the von Bulows' elaborate Newport mansion.

The film follows von Bulow's appeal to Dershowitz to clear him of his conviction of assault with intent to murder his wife, Sunny. Dershowitz accepts the legal and ethical challenge, whipping together a crew of his best students and peers to mastermind a 45-day review of the case.

On one hand *Reversal of Fortune* is a splendid saga of how the other half lives and loves, but the real story is the intricacies of the legal system, the painstaking process by which the Dershowitz teams work to demolish the prosecution's case and reverse what was a devastating verdict.

There are no answers here; only questions raised in the light of actions that really happened (and perhaps a few that didn't).

Reversal of Fortune, while not a pleasant or happy picture, nonetheless mesmerizes the viewer, and doesn't let go until the final credits roll.



CLAUS VON BULOW (Jeremy Irons, left) discusses his defense with attorney Alan Dershowitz (Ron Silver) in "Reversal Of Fortune."

—Sibling Rivalry

On the lighter side, Kirstie Alley turns up in a lighthearted romp reminiscent of French bedroom comedies, a film called *Sibling Rivalry*.

In essence, it's the story of a frustrated housewife married to an upwardly-mobile medical man and his equally upstanding (read, boring and self-important) medical sibling and parents, and her first and only foray into adultery.

Her one-time lover (played with his usual sexy mystique by Sam Elliot) dies of a heart attack after the fact but still in a hotel room bed, and an itinerant window-blind salesman stumbles onto the scene and thinks (for reasons of his own) that he killed the man accidentally.

It's a tangled web of plot and counterplot, a mesh of interrelated characters and sexy humor that is rowdy, risqué and simply very funny, but for adult audiences only.

Alley is proving herself a fine comedic actress, and *Sibling Rivalry* is the perfect vehicle for her.

It's nothing to write home about in terms of awards, but it's a nice little picture to amuse oneself with (and maybe get a genuine bellylaugh or two from).

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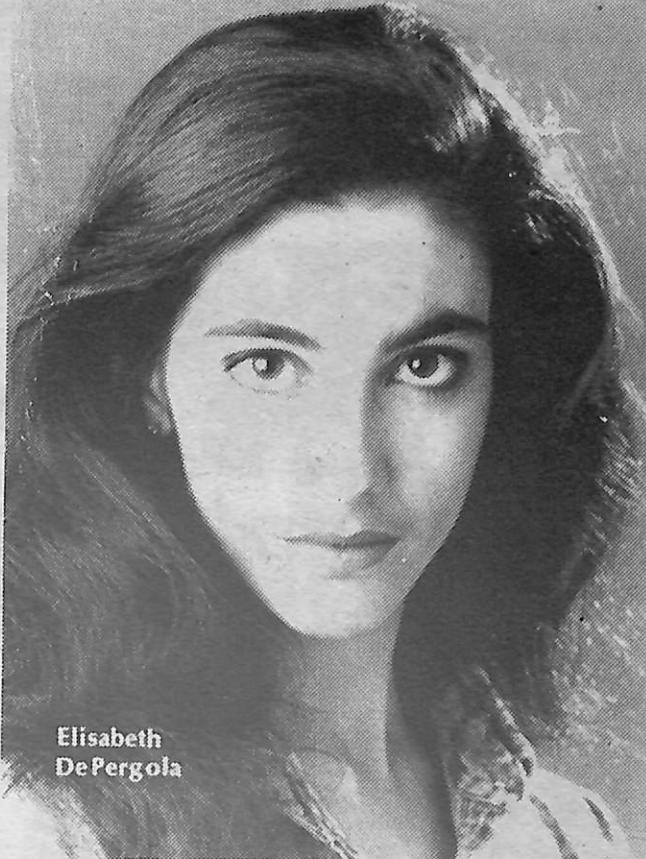


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Elisabeth DePergola

ELIZABETH DEPERGOLA will be one of three performers at the November 2nd "First Friday Series" sponsored by the Agawam Arts & Humanities Council.

Talented Trio To Entertain At November "First Friday Series"

Three talented young Agawam people will be performing November 2nd at the Agawam Junior High School at 7:30 p.m., in the 1990-1991 First Friday Series, sponsored by the Agawam Arts & Humanities Council.

This special grant recipient showcase concert is featuring Melissa Martin, Elizabeth DePergola, and Jeff Hugabone.

Melissa Martin graduated from Agawam High School in 1987. She currently is finishing her bachelor's degree in bassoon performance at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston.

Melissa presently studies with Richard Svoboda, principal bassoon of the Boston Symphony. Past teachers include the world renown bassoonist, Sherman Walt. Along with her studies at the conservatory, she is also principal bassoon with the New Bedford Symphony. Conductors she has played under include Pascal Verrot and Benjamin Zander.

The Council approved a grant for Melissa for private lessons on the bassoon.

Elizabeth DePergola is pursuing her career in Boston. Her major at Emerson College is Performing Arts. She has performed with the Emerson Majestic Theater in "The Pajama Game" as lead dancer and chorus singer, and Hamlet. Elizabeth executed the leading role with an emphasis on modern dance in "Winter of Fools" televised in March 1989 by the Boston Broadcasting Network.

Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival was where Elizabeth received intensive dance training and inside out performances, through a grant from the Council.

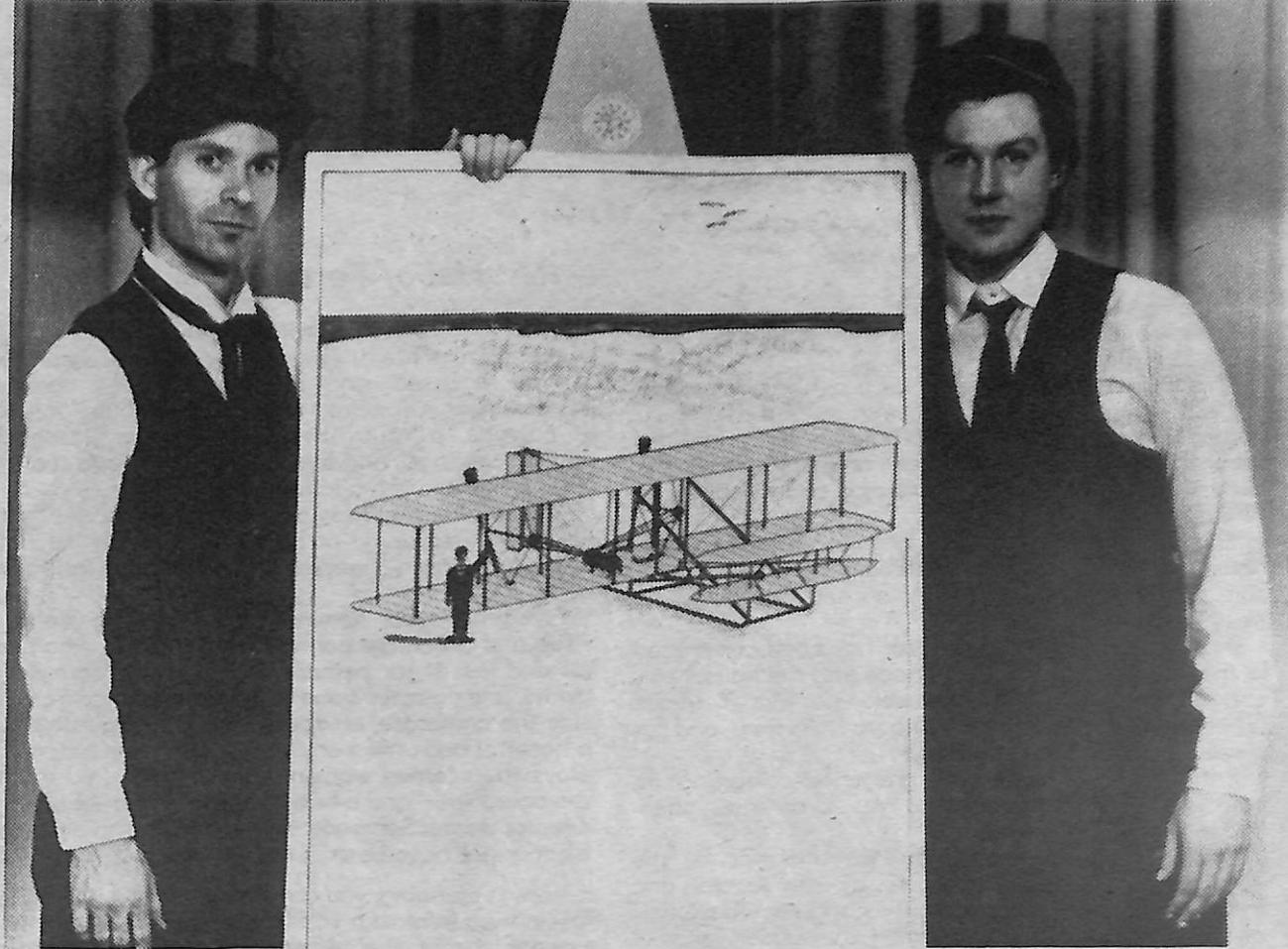
Elizabeth's most recent accomplishment was in October with the New Kids on the Block video, "Games" - MTV.

Jeff Hugabone is a student at Agawam High School. He has been studying piano for five years at the Community Music School of Springfield with Andy Jaffe. Jeff belongs to a jazz ensemble coached by Jim Fryer of the Paradise City Jazz Band.

An art lottery recipient, Jeff attended Jazz in July at the University of Massachusetts where he studied under Billy Taylor. He has performed locally at area events.

The public is invited free of charge. Funding is provided by the Agawam Arts & Humanities Council through a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

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THE AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB sponsored a play of music and history called "Orville And Wilbur: The Wright Stuff" at the Agawam Middle School on Tuesday, October 23rd.

Jr. Women's Club Receives Arts Lottery Grant

The GFWCM Agawam Junior Women's Club applied for and received a grant from the Arts Lottery. This program is supported in part by the Massachusetts Arts lottery as administered by the Agawam Arts Lottery Council. With this grant *Orville And Wilbur: The Wright Stuff* was presented to the students at the Middle School on Tuesday, October 23rd.

Orville And Wilbur: The Wright Stuff is a play with music which introduces us to the famed Wright

brothers and shows us the sequence of events which lead to their historic flight on the beaches of Kittyhawk, North Carolina in 1903. During the show, children witness humankind's passion with flight and learn of several historic attempts and failures at conquering the skies. With the aid of large, colorful illustrations as well as "on the spot" sketches, Wilbur (Sam Rush) and Orville (Gene Kane) show us how they learned the principles of flight and make their mark in history.

Springfield Art Museum Has December New York City Trip

Reservations are now being taken for the Springfield Art Museums' weekend of cultural activities in New York City, December 7th through 9th.

At the Metropolitan Museum of Art participants will be able to choose from the special exhibitions: **Antiquities from the Collection of Shelby White and Leon Levy**, **Drawings by John Singleton Copley**, **Arts of Mexico**, and **American Quilts and Coverlets**. The annual Christmas tree and Baroque creche will be on display.

While at the Whitney Museum of Art, they can see the exhibition, **Robert Rauschenberg: The Silkscreen Paintings, 1962-1964**. Rauschenberg is recognized as a major figure in the transition between Abstract Expressionism, which dominated American art in the 1950s, and Pop Art, which emerged in the early 1960s.

Also at the Whitney will be **Mind Over Matter: Concept and Object** and works by sculptor Hunt Diederich.

In addition to the exceptional collection at the Brooklyn Museum, travellers can see four special ex-

hibitions: **Milton Avery in Black and White** (drawings), **Curator's Choice: Impressionism and Post-Impressionism at the Brooklyn Museum**, conceptual artist **Joseph Kosuth** and **The Art of Albert Pinkham Ryder**, an unconventional turn-of-the-century American artist.

After a matinee performance of the *The Nutcracker* the group will visit the cathedral of St. John the Divine before returning to Springfield on Sunday.

Cost of the trip, \$320 for members of the Springfield Library & Museums and \$400 for nonmembers (based on double occupancy) includes two nights at the Mayflower Hotel, baggage handling of one piece per person, ticket to the *Nutcracker*, admission to and docent-guided tour of the Brooklyn Museum, tips to bellhops and driver, and snacks to and from New York City.

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Education

Close-Call On Bike Causes Longi To Issue More Safety Reminders

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Agawam Policy Sergeant Alfred Longhi was surprised to have a resident come to the station inquiring about bicycle safety this month.

He said, "I always conduct a safety program for bicycling in the spring once the weather gets warmer and children begin riding again. I guess we've had such a warm fall this year that many more children were taking their bicycles to school from the beginning."

"The gentleman was concerned because he had seen two kids riding double on a bike, facing oncoming traffic (riding in the road on Springfield Street near the Junior High School)," said Longhi.

The resident's concern was certainly justified, according to Longhi, since the students were disobeying nearly every safety rule Longhi preaches. Each spring students receive a flyer entitled, "Bicycling Is Great Fun" that includes "Tips for Safe Riding." Longhi said he reinforces the safety tips with key words such as, "Always use hand signals; one on a bike, and obey laws." He said the flyer displays proper hand signals for all turns and stops.

Longhi explained that the reason children are told to ride with the flow of traffic is that "the impact against is greater" and he explains this in detail to students. He also tells kids that the best way to cross a street is to get off the bike and walk it across.

"I tell kids to make eye contact with the driver of a car. In that way, they will know that the driver sees them," said Longhi. Also, when crossing Longhi stresses that pedestrians have the right-of-way and that bicyclists should yield.

"Most importantly, I tell students that as long as there is snow on the ground, they shouldn't ride bikes at all. It is too dangerous because it is too easy to slide out of control," he said.

The flyer also diagrams each part of a bicycle and explains to students how to keep a bike in good condition. It reviews the headlight, red taillight or reflector, and reflective tape that can be used on bikes for night sight.

Longhi said the man left him a "comic book" called "Ghost Rider" that was presented by the Lancaster, Ohio Police Department to their schools and was sponsored as a community service by the Lancaster Rotary Club. This booklet did include signs and pictures of prohibitions that are not included in Longhi's flyer. Longhi does discuss many street signs orally with the students when he meets with them to discuss bike safety.

Winter Sports Teams At AHS Getting Ready For Physicals

Girls and boys who are candidates for winter teams are reminded that both the medical history sheets and the parents' awareness sheets must be signed by the parent or guardian, and they must bring these sheets with them to get a school physical.

Physicals are scheduled at the following times:

High School: Wednesday, November 14th, starting at 8:00 a.m. The teams will be notified by the school nurse.

Junior High: Friday, November 16th, starting at 8:30 a.m.

Make-Ups: Wednesday, November 21st, starting at 8:00 a.m., at high school and then to the junior high.

All ninth grade students are reminded that if there is not a ninth grade sport in their chosen activity, they may try-out for the varsity or junior varsity team in that activity. Eighth grade boys are reminded that they can try out for ninth grade basketball.



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MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM FRIENDS OF EDUCATION are asking for the public's support for Diana Sands. From left - Richard Morassi, Richard Sardella, Iris Copson, Christopher Johnson, and Wayne Macey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Friends Of Education Urge Support For Fundraising Effort For Diana Sands

The Agawam Advertiser News recently published an article regarding Granger Elementary School's first grade teacher Diana Sands.

Mrs. Sands was diagnosed as having a rare form of lung cancer and is presently undergoing recuperation from an experimental procedure of a bone marrow transplant. She is at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

Mrs. Sands and her family have acquired insurmountable medical expenses because insurance will not cover many of the costs to try to combat the disease with this procedure.

The Agawam Friends of Education have learned that many caring parents, teachers, community people, and members of the Agawam High School National Honor Society will be holding various fundraisers throughout the year to help the Sands defray a small part of their medical costs.

Donations can also be sent to: Diana M. Sands Fund, c/o Westbank, 140 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA 01030, Attention: Ellen Bellows.

Many of the election locations on November 6th will be selling candy bars for Diana and her

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family. The Friends ask that each time you see an event in town displaying a pink flamingo or Diana Sands' name, you help by contributing toward her recovery.

The Agawam Friends of Education feel Diana Sands is a wonderful teacher with a strong and positive attitude about life and caring. We are proud to be honored by teachers of her caliber. Let's all help to show her how much we care, the only way we can right now.

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Middle School Welcomes 'CAN DO'

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Principal Ralph Zavarella welcomed parents and "CAN DO" students for a special meeting of information, fun, and refreshments last Thursday, October 25th, at the Agawam Middle School. Zavarella greeted parents by saying, "What I think really makes these programs (at the school) worthwhile are the people behind the program."

He introduced staff members Mary Lou Sgueglia, Tony Feirrara, and Lou Conte who are active in the "CAN DO" Program. Zavarella also acknowledged Agawam Police Officer Wayne Macey (D.A.R.E. coordinator) and Dr. Richard Kleiner. He was present to speak about the evening's program - "Stress Management: Coping With Stress In The Family."

School Committee member Roberta Doering was also in attendance for the informational parent program. The students went to the gym to enjoy pillo pollo and volley ball.

Zavarella complimented the coordinators of the D.A.R.E. Program, "Here's Looking At You 2000," and the "CAN DO" for the continuity each provided to the students at the Middle School.

Conte also told parents that Agawam has recently become a member of the National Youth Sports Coaches Association. This will certify young coaches and offer liability coverage. Conte said this program ran six hours and would be held every season for each sport offered in Agawam.

"It will be expanded to whatever programs we can reach each season. D.A.R.E. is going to sponsor our first program and it is being offered to all athletic associations," said Conte.

Conte added that this program "will cover how to deal with practices as well as dealing with groups of children." He said there will also be coverage on first aid and safety, and tips on teaching sports techniques and maximizing athletic performance will also be emphasized.

Conte said the goal of this new program is to even-

tually mandate certification for all individuals who coach youth sports in Agawam.

Macey said the "CAN DO" Program was a great way to help the students begin to implement some of the tools taught in D.A.R.E. He said he has been working closely with the two "CAN DO" and D.A.R.E.

Macey noted that teachers, coaches, and police have been working together on drug prevention education and self-esteem. He said the October 25th program was "to help get the family into a working partnership with program coordinators and to participate with their children."

Dr. Kleiner explained that "CAN DO" was being offered this year for two sixth grade classes as an enrichment activity instead of a study hall for six years. He said his inspiration to developing this program "came from every day victories of ordinary people confronting life's challenges and tragedies."

He said, "We teach that there are challenges to be mastered rather than situations to be avoided." He told parents that students were taught to focus on different types of stress signals - physical, feeling, and thought signs.

He showed some of the role playing (with Conte) that are conducted during the classes. Students portrayed an average sixth grade scenario, and were shown breathing exercises and other practice skills to help alleviate stress symptoms.

Dr. Kleiner explained "thinking errors" and recalled that at the end of the 1989-90 academic year, a game called "Name That Thinking Error" was introduced to students. Each team was given a situation and tried to solve it. "We try to show them that 10 hours worth of worry on a 10-cent program is non-productive," he said.

Dr. Kleiner asked students to try keeping a stress log along with their parents and to come up with a "CAN DO" things to deal with the stress. Dr. Kleiner suggested that parents share this log with their children.

Katie DeBonville Is "Commended Student"

Principal John Morrissey of Agawam High School has announced that Katie DeBonville has been named a Commended Student in the National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program, will be presented to this outstanding senior.

About 35,000 Commended Students nationwide are being honored for their outstanding performance on the 1989 PSAT/NMSQT, which places them in the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the 1991 Merit Program by taking the qualifying test. Commended Students scored slightly below the level required to continue in the 1991 competition for Merit Scholarships, but they have shown exceptional academic promise.

An official of the Merit Program stated, "Being named a Commended Student in this extremely competitive program is a credit to these young people and their schools. Commended Students were offered an opportunity to be referred by the Merit Program to two colleges or universities of their choice. We hope the referral service and the recognition Commended Students have earned will enhance their higher education opportunities and increase their motivation to use their abilities to the fullest. These young men and women represent an important intellectual resource which our nation needs."

Junior High Band Off To Busy Start For Fall Of '90

The Agawam Junior High School Band has started another year. They've elected new officers for the school year. President is Steve Munley; vice-president, Jamie Gaudette; secretary/librarian, Joan Mineo; manager, Brian Colby.

Section Leaders include flute, Jen Goodfellow, Marie Fortier, Tanya Rydell, and Lauren Seymour; clarinet, Jen Mangano, Rob Settembr, and Karen Prendergast; saxophone, Cyndi Stone, Amy Annino, and Jesse Mueller; trumpet, Jeff Campbell and Ryan Bennett; low brass, Pat Arnold; and percussion, Tony Wojcik and Jeff Daigneau.

The band has performed at the Big E, MICA field show competition, and UMass Band Day. Upcoming event is the Winter Concert on December 12th.

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AGAWAM SAFETY OFFICER Al Longhi sorts out candy and goodies with Phelps School PTO members Judy McGuire (center) and Doris Donovan; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Granger School PTO members Iris Copson (left) and Sandy Dubay are sorting out games for the SAFE Halloween Night in Agawam on October 31st. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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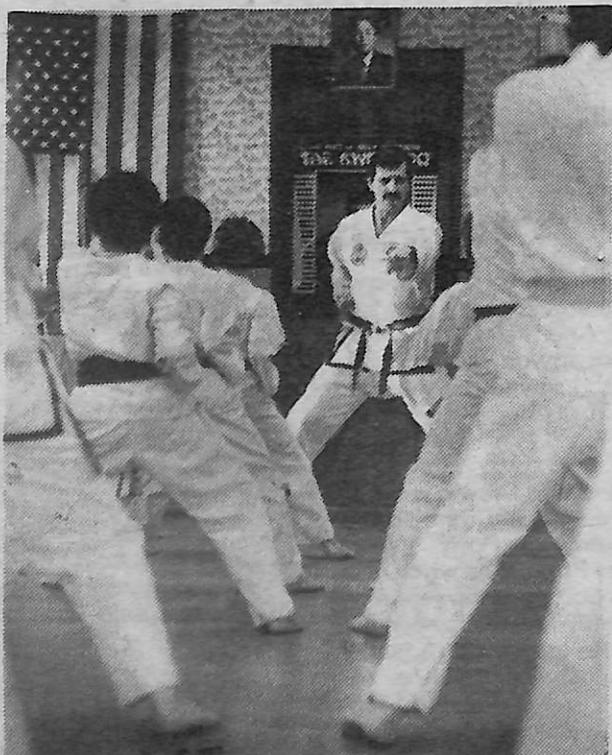
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A Spooky Store For Halloween

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GloriaJean Scheiber, teacher
Grade 2, Room 7...

This is a class created story. The story starter was given and each child contributed a sentence to complete the story.

A Ghost In The House

One day my family and I moved into our new house. Everything was going well until...

A ghost came in!

Alicia Hedge

He scared us! Boooooooo!

Margaret Bulmer

Everybody ran!

Katie McCarthy

The lights went out!

Erin Corbin

A cat came in and ran back out.

Vinnie Tirone

The windows banged shut! Kaboom!

Ryan Sullivan

The mouse ran in its hole! Eek!

Vincent Outhuse

THE KIDS KORNER CLASS OF GLORIAJEAN SCHEIBER, Grade 2, Room 7, Robinson Park School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The mouse was afraid of the ghost.

Jennifer Orenstein

There were spiders all over the place!

Stefanie Fede

The mouse came back out again.

Katelyn Tierney

Thunder went crash!

Curtis Miarecki

Rain came pouring down.

Jessica Newalu

The lights flashed back on.

Angelina Cortese

Then the ghost went away!

Alyson Nowell

Lightning flashed!

Francis Barrington

The ghost came back because it scared him. Boooo Hoooo!

Steven Dietrichsen

A mouse came out and jumped on the table.

Richard Montagna

That scared the ghost too! Boo Hoo Hoo!

Carrie Brown

The cat came back in and scared the ghost, too! Boo Hoo Hoo Hoo!

Heather Kerr

That made the ghost leave.

Kathleen Demetrios

The ghost never, ever came back again.

Jaclyne Sapelli

The family was able to move back in.

Lauren Powell

They were happy.

Justin Peabody

They could tell people that they lived in a Haunted House!

Brian Barnes

They all lived happily ever after!

Jeremy St. Peter

That Spooky Halloween Night - Robinson Park School, Grade 2,

Kathy Breuninger, teacher

On Halloween night I saw a ghost. I saw a bat and I saw a witch. I was scared. I ran away home. Then that was it and I was safe.

Melody Pope

When I came home from trick-or-treating, there was a witch and her cat on my front step. They scared me half to death. So I ran in to tell my mom. She said don't go out.

Jessica Martel

On Halloween night I went to the graveyard. I saw a ghost. I asked what is your name? My name is Ashley. She said could you be my friend? I said I would. I said you want to play? She said alright. I will, and she did.

Heather Newalu

Once on a Halloween night Brian and I went out to go trick-or-treating. We saw ghosts and goblins flying through the air. We were scared and then we went away. We went to my house and we were safe.

Joseph Rosinski

A ghost flew over me and said boo. I ran in the haunted house. Then a witch came down the stairs and went out. A skeleton went after us down the street so we ran away to the graveyard. Then we got away. I said it is dark out. I have to go to bed, my mother will kill me. It was scary. The houses were scary. I saw a

skeleton smoking a cigarette. I saw my friend's house, so I ran over there. I slept over his house.

Wayne Dean

My friend Nate and I were in a haunted house. So we investigated the place. First we saw a ghost that said boo. And then it put us in a jail. And then I said who do you think you are? But it did not say anything. I said I have a saw that cuts steel. Then I sawed the steel and we got out and we ran home.

Travis Reed

One Halloween night my friend and I saw a witch fly by. Boo said the witch, I scared you. We were scared. We were going to a party, a Halloween Party, a Witch and a Vampire Party, a Monster Party. The witch liked us a lot. She followed us to the party. There were more scary things. We were still scared. The Halloween party was in the graveyard. The graveyard is scary. Skeletons popped up at us. At last we ran home.

Pamela Sherry

Jeffrey and I were going to trick-or-treat. We went to the first house. We said trick-or-treat. She gave us some candy and we went to the second house. She was not home. Then we went to the third house. She answered the door with a face mask. She did not give us candy. Jeffrey and I went back and we took off our costumes. Jeff went home.

Jeremy Musa

One night a skeleton opened the graveyard gate as Jay and I rode by on our bikes. He scared us. We took off. We rode until we came to Jay's house. We went in. After we were at Jay's house a while my brother came. He told us that he was the skeleton. Boy were we mad at my brother.

Henry Rosado

One Halloween night I saw a ghost. It was playing the piano. So I called my friend Nathan. He came and scared the ghost away. At 12:00 a.m. I looked outside. I saw a witch and a ghost and a black cat with the witch. I went outside and went to a haunted house. There was a vampire. It told me to go up the stairs. I went up the stairs. I saw a talking jack-o'-lantern. The jack-o'-lantern said look out. It was a ghost behind me. It was playing a joke. It was not funny. I went home at 1:00 a.m. I said it's good that Halloween is once a year.

Daniel Boissonneault

I went to Joe's house to go to the boy scouts' Halloween Party. I went with Joe. On the way we saw a vampire and a witch. A goblin jumped on Joe's mom's truck. We were scared. When we got there there were witches and ghosts and vampires. We went in and we saw Mrs. Cougar. We were the first kids there. Soon everyone was there. Soon it was time to go. I was glad.

Brian Pajak

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My friend and I went to a party. The party was finished and we went home. We opened my door and we saw a witch and a ghost. We were scared to death. We closed the door. We went to my friend's. We were safe.

Luma Halig

In a haunted house there were goblins and ghosts and witches scaring Christopher and me. Then a jack-o'-lantern scared us. We ran out of the haunted house. We ran until we came to my house. Then we were safe.

Christopher Bittner

When Halloween was almost over it seemed to Christopher and me that Halloween came back again. I live near a graveyard. Christopher and I saw skeletons coming out of the graveyard. We went running to my house and on our way back we ran into a witch. We were scared, but made it safely home.

Jeffrey Robinson

One Halloween day my friend Emily came. I said can you play with me? Emily said I will ask. Emily's mom said yes. I jumped up and down. We went to my house. We played a Halloween game. Then a witch came. I was scared, but it was my mom. She scared us. It was funny. Emily was laughing so hard she cried. We had a good day.

Anne Shibley

A witch walked in my graveyard. The witch came close to me and it scared me. I looked it in the eye. It went back to the graveyard and I went home.

Kari Sandstrom

One Halloween night a vampire came out of his coffin in the haunted house. He scared me. I ran to the graveyard and met a skeleton that chased me to a party. At the party there were more scary things. I ran to my friend's house and I was safe.

Christopher Lane

Scott and I were in a haunted house on Halloween. We were scared by bats. So we ran out the door. We were in the graveyard and goblins scared us. Scott and I ran from the graveyard. We ran until we came to our houses. We were safe.

Nathan Adamski

One Halloween night I saw a bat on my mailbox. He screeched at me. I saw a skull with very big eyes. It scared me to death. I bumped into a ghost and he said boo. Boy was I scared. Oh boy was I scared. But then I

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THE KIDS KORNER CLASS OF KATHY BREUNINGER, grade two, Robinson Park School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

saw big things coming right after me. It was only my mom and dad and then I was happy. I was not scared any more. That was a relief but boy was it scary.

Ashley Guiel

A skeleton opened the graveyard gate. Inside a hole I saw a devil. Nathan saw it too. When we went to the haunted house, we found a Halloween Party. So we thought the skeleton and the devil were kids in Halloween costumes and we joined the party.

Scott Fleming

One Halloween night Henry, my brother and I went trick-or-treating. I was a pirate, Henry was Count

Dracula, and my brother was Count Dracula, too. We went trick-or-treating at different houses. We got scared a few times. We got a lot of candy because we went to a lot of other houses. We came back to my house. We had a ton of fun going together. Henry slept over. When we woke up the next day, we ate a lot of candy. When we got full we still had lots of candy left.

Christopher Swarthout

One night I went to my Nana's house. We went trick-or-treating. It was spooky. Then we went home. At home I saw a witch. Then I went to bed but I could not sleep.

Megan Gaffney

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Mayor Recognizes UN's 45th Anniversary With AFS Students

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Events of the Mideast crisis this year caused President George Bush to ask American leaders across the country to pay special tribute in honor of the 45th anniversary of the United Nations' founding last Wednesday.

When Mayor Christopher Johnson received the information sent out to 1,000 communities across the United States, he put together this Proclamation:

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PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: The nations of the world celebrate each year the founding of the United Nations on October 24th, and affirm their commitment to the principles and goals of the U.N. Charter; and,

WHEREAS: This year all Americans are asked to renew their support for and dedication towards the United Nations system and the important work it has accomplished for the past 45 years; and,

WHEREAS: The United States and the 158 other member states of the United Nations must work together through the U.N. to relieve the suffering of millions, to protect our planet's environment, to promote human rights, and to bring about genuine and lasting peace in the world; and,

WHEREAS: On the 45th anniversary of the United Nations' founding, Americans of all ages and backgrounds join together throughout the nation on United Nations Day to demonstrate to the rest of the world that the United States continues to support the work of the U.N. through constructive and cooperative action on myriad world problems and concerns; and,

WHEREAS: The 1,000 communities across the country which will be taking part in the 1990 U.N. Day Observance will be focusing on International Literacy Year, the decade long campaign to eradicate illiteracy by the year 2000, and world action to protect the en-



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON (right) presents a plaque to Agawam AFS students to pay tribute to the 45th Anniversary of the United Nations. In picture, from left - Principal John Morrissey, faculty advisor Mary Ellen Bruce-Hanrahan, Azusa Murayama (Japan), Ana Belen Garcia (Spain), Ozge Dursun (Turkey), and Johnson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

vironment—issues which are high priorities for our country as well as the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christopher C. Johnson, Mayor of Agawam, do hereby proclaim October 24, 1990, as United Nations Day.

Christopher C. Johnson
Mayor

Appropriately, Johnson presented his Proclamation during a brief ceremony at Agawam High School where American Field Service (AFS) exchange students Ozge Dursun of Turkey, Azusa Murayama of Japan, Ana Belen Garcia of Spain, and AHS Principal John Morrissey gathered to acknowledge Agawam's efforts as a small part of understanding and communication worldwide.

AHS foreign language teacher Mary Ellen Bruce Hanrahan was also on hand as the adult advisor of the AFS Agawam Chapter. She said AFS students are planning a trip to New York this December.

She said she was working to arrange a guided tour of the United Nations while students were visiting NYC (in hopes of having students be able to observe, firsthand, some of the important work accomplished since 1945 by the 159 members of the United Nations).

Ag. Junior High Slates Parent Conferences

Agawam Junior High School will be conducting parent-teacher conferences on Monday and Tuesday, November 26th and 27th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The week of November 12th, teachers will be mailing home invitations for these 10-minute individual conferences. Parents receiving invitations, are asked to call the guidance office at 789-1400, extension 482, either Monday, November 19th, or Tuesday, November 20th, between 8:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in order to schedule a time for these conferences. Please call promptly to reserve a time that is convenient to you.

If you do not receive an invitation, but still wish to see an individual teacher, please call 789-1400, extension 482, on Wednesday, November 21st, between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m., as a limited number of appointment times have been made available for these parents. Any parent calling on Wednesday, but not able to schedule an appointment for either November 26th or 27th, will receive a call from the teacher in order to discuss his child's current academic standing.

We invite any parent to keep in contact with the guidance counselors and teachers in order to monitor his child's progress throughout the school year.

It is hoped that this change in format will eliminate the overcrowded conditions and long lines experienced in the past.

In addition, teachers and parents should be able to communicate more effectively during these longer scheduled appointments.

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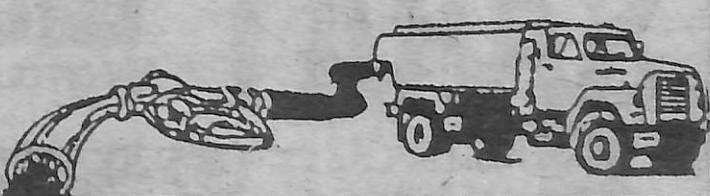
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Phelps Kindergarten Visits Fire Station



THE AFTERNOON KINDERGARTEN CLASS at Phelps School (Jane Sauter, teacher), recently paid a visit to the Elm Street Fire Station across Main Street. The group was greeted by members of the Fire Department. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

“Make A Face Program” At Agawam Library



AT A RECENT “Make A Face Program” at the Agawam Public Library, Laurie Albano demonstrated the art of facepainting to more than 100 children. Children in the photo are, from left - Taryn Albano, Jillian Roberts, Emily Morton, and Heather Albano.

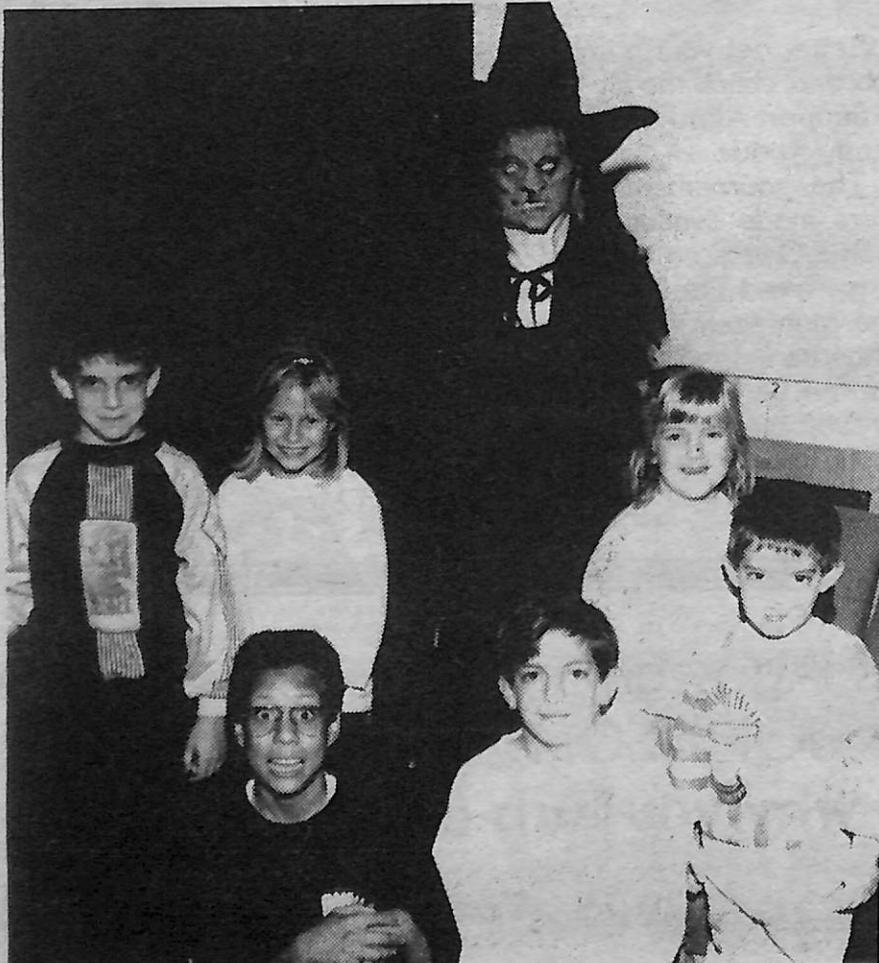
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THESE TOWN CHILDREN, Tom Shibley, Emily Norris, Alex Shibley, Anne Shibley, Pat Napoli, and Ed Shibley were greeted earlier this week at the Agawam Public Market by a rather authentic witch.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Which Witch Is This???



KRISTINE REMILLARD

Kristine Remillard Inducted In National Honor Society

Mr. & Mrs. Rejean J. Remillard of Feeding Hills wish to congratulate their daughter, Kristine, who is being inducted into the Golden Key National Honor Society as a lifetime member.

She is currently a junior at the University of Massachusetts.

Agawam Schools’ Lunch Menu

Monday, November 5th: Cheese pizza, seasoned broccoli cuts, peaches in syrup, milk.

Tuesday, November 6th: Ravioli with meatsauce, Italian bread and butter, tossed garden salad, spinach greens, shredded carrots, and French dressing, applecrisp, milk.

Wednesday, November 7th: Grilled cheese sandwich, French fries with ketchup, Harvard beets, jello with topping, milk.

Thursday, November 8th: Roast turkey with gravy on whipped potatoes, seasoned peas and carrots, cranberry sauce, bread and butter, manager's choice dessert, milk.

Friday, November 9th: Crunchy coated fish nuggets, baked macaroni and cheese sauce, tossed garden salad with dressing, chilled fruit cup or ice cream sandwich, milk.

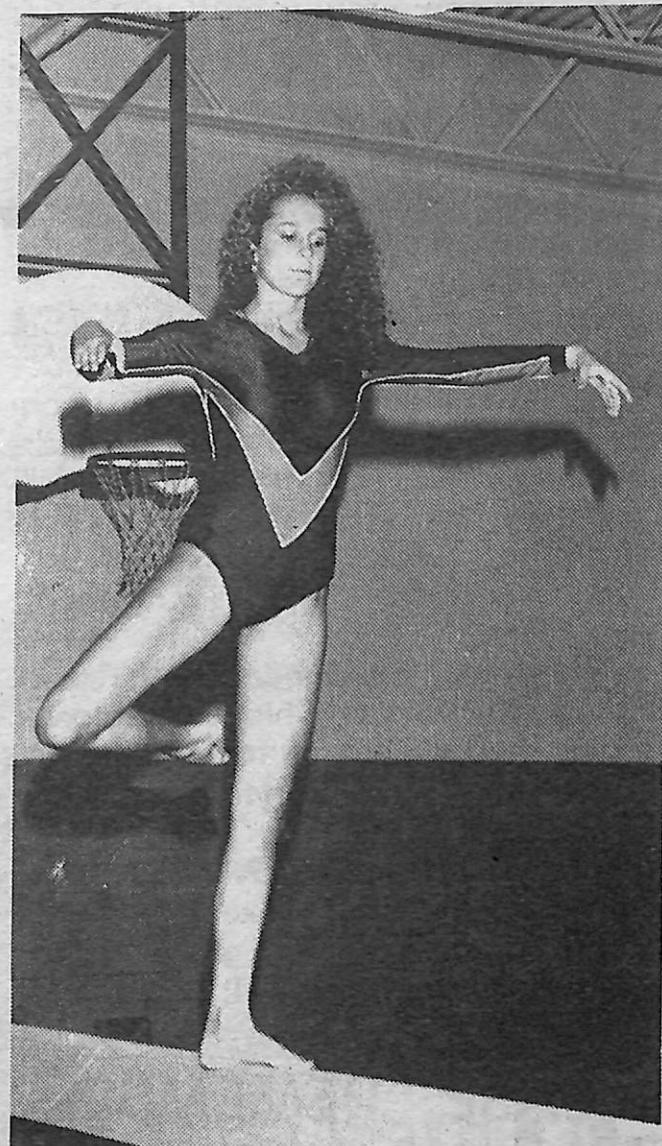
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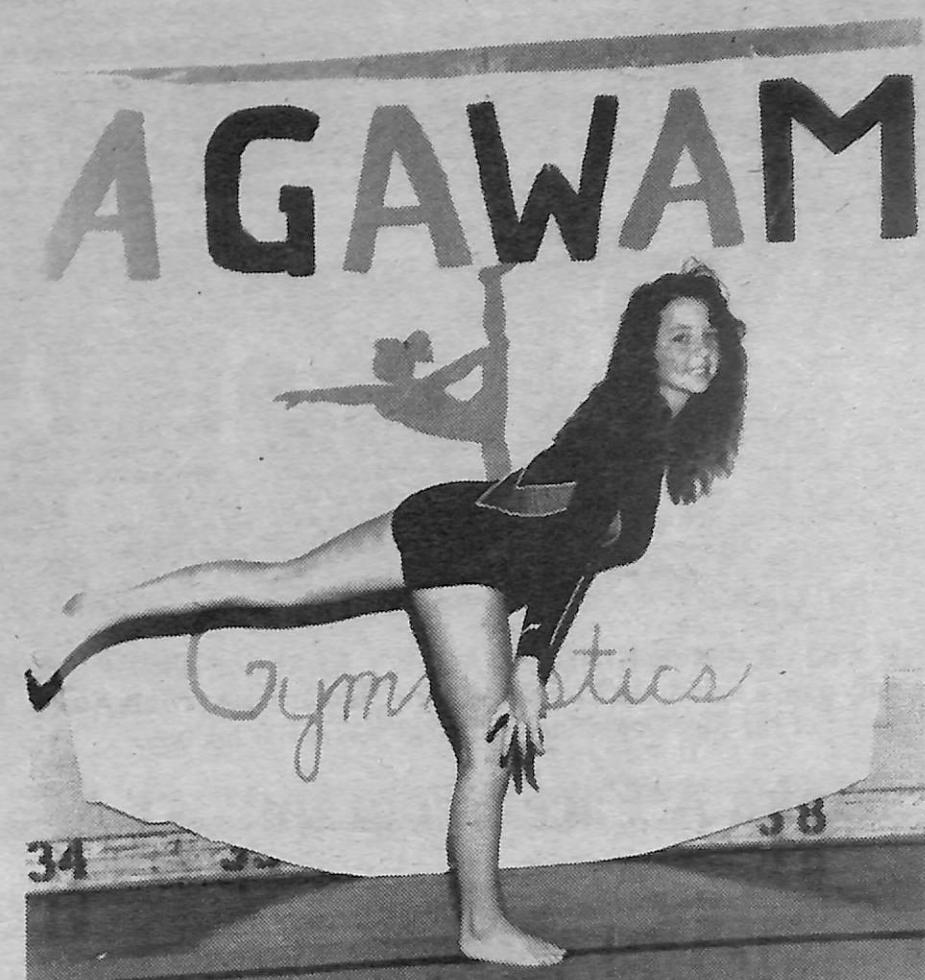
Sports



LEADING SCORER and number one gymnast for AHS Karen Dean works on her floor exercise in preparation for the Western Mass. Tournament. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SHELEEN BROWN works out on the balance beam during a recent practice for the Agawam High Brownies. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE YOUNG AND PROMISING performers for the Agawam High girls' gymnastics team is Holly Deyo. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Brownie Gymnasts Get Tourney Nod; Go For Division Title Vs. Wahconah

The improving and surprising Agawam High gymnastics team secured a berth in the upcoming Western Mass. Tournament with a 97.0 to 91.1 victory over West Springfield on Monday, October 22nd.

And despite bowing to Amherst and Central in a tri-meet on Tuesday, October 30th, the Brownies are still in the hunt for the Division B title. The locals must defeat league-leader Wahconah Regional of Dalton in an important meet on Thursday, November 8th, in the Berkshires to win the division. The Brownies are 4-1 in divisional play.

Against West Springfield, Karen Dean scored a 29.8

to win the all-around competition. She scored a 7.9 on the vault, 7.9 in the floor exercise, 7.6 on bars, and 6.4 on the balance beam.

Freshman Beth Lacienski placed third overall and was second on the balance beam with a 6.2. Other important scores for the Brownies included Dacia Tolomeo, 6.7 vault, 6.8 floor; Tammy Leary, 4.6 bars, 6.6 floor; Sheleen Brown, 4.2 bars; Cara Carter, 6.0 vault; Chris Hatzipetro, 6.0 floor; and Sarah Patnode, 5.7 floor.

The Brownies are under the direction of first year coach Michelle Willard.

AHS Girls' Soccer Set To Begin Title Defense In Berkshire Town Of Wahconah On Friday

by Bob Johnson - Advertiser News Sports Editor

Better get your oil changed, maybe a lube job and check the air in your tires.

Support Agawam High girls' soccer and get ready to ride.

The tournament seedings and pairings were made available on Monday night and Game One is on the road.

Is it ever! The Brownies were seeded fifth in the nine team field and will travel to face unbeaten (and once tied) Wahconah in Dalton on Friday afternoon, November 2nd, at 2:00 p.m.

The Brownies finished the season at 9-4-5 and will have to defend their Western Mass.

Division I title won in 1989 out of the five hole. Last season, Agawam played from the fourth slot.

The Lions of Ludlow are seeded first. Cathedral is second and West Springfield is third. Should Agawam survive the match with Wahconah, they would have to face Ludlow in the semifinals. Agawam tied Ludlow at home this season and were beaten handily in Ludlow.

Semifinal action will either be played Monday afternoon, November 5th, or Tuesday afternoon, November 6th, in Ludlow.

NO ONE covers Agawam High School Sports every week like BOB JOHNSON, sports editor. Bob is another reason why you turn our pages every week

Divisional Winner Chicopee No Match For AHS; End Regular Season In 2-2 Tie Vs. Longmeadow

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

In years past, an Agawam-Chicopee girls' soccer game at Harmon Smith Field would not have been any big deal. The Brownies would have pummeled the Pacers and sent them home crying.

This year was a tap different. Chicopee was on hand looking for a win that would have given them a tie for their league championship. Agawam, with only two games to go in the regular season, needed two more points to qualify for the post-season. Add the fact that Agawam's top-notch goaltender, Kim Trudel, was sidelined with strep throat.

It was a sun-splashed Wednesday afternoon. Ideal for playing soccer. The Pacers had the game's first opportunity as a forward burst free into Agawam's defensive zone. Goaltender Kim Naciewicz, subbing for Trudel, motored out to cut down any angle. This slowed down the Pacer striker and allowed sweeper Joy Clark to zip back and break up the dangerous bid.

Chicopee played fairly well for the next few minutes and then the tide slowly started to shift. Brie Cosgrove made several passes from left wing for Agawam for Tracie Dimascola. "Dimo" kicked them and chested them and kicked them again. She simply couldn't get one by the Chicopee keeper.

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Katie Burns had a few nice rushes from midfield and had a couple of shots on goal, too. Bill O'Brien, Agawam's veteran coach, could only wait for his troops to begin to find the range.

With the score still tied at 22:39, Naciewicz made an outstanding leaping save in goal. She was playing extremely well for a player with such limited playing time. O'Brien's team has been involved in so many 0-0, 1-0, and 2-1 games this season, it has been difficult to use his substitute players all that often.

Finally, at 14:40, the Brownies lit the lamp and did so with a tremendous effort by freshman Nicole DeCosmo. Blessed with outstanding speed and a wheelbarrow full of talent, she took a great throw-in from Amy LaPlante near midfield. DeCosmo eluded one defender and broke to the middle of the field.

She pulled up from 20 yards out and lashed one toward the right post. She got tremendous right-to-left spin on the shot and it burned the cords deep on the right side to give her team a 1-0 lead.

Dimascola led the charge on Agawam's second goal three minutes later. The right wing blazed on the right side and cut toward the goal. She didn't get much on

the shot, but the rebound came to DeCosmo in front. The frost slammed the ball off the tender and it bounced to the left side of the cage. Cosgrove walked in and tapped it home for a 2-0 lead.

At 22:57 of the second half, Burns capped a fine week of play with a goal very much deserved. She burst through two Pacer defenders off a rebound in front and left-footed a line drive easily into the cage. Burns had played a standout game in a 0-0 tie with West Side earlier in the week.

Laura Bielitz picked up an opportunistic goal at 4:02 to build the margin to 4-0 and DeCosmo closed the scoring with another rebound at 1:59.

The win vaulted the Brownies into the playoffs. It is there that they will get a chance to defend their Western Massachusetts crown earned a year ago. Trudel is expected back to participate in the post-season.

Agawam concluded its regular season by gaining a 2-2 tie with the Lancers of Longmeadow. Stephanie Mason and Nicole DeCosmo were the goal scorers for Agawam.

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Brownies & "Vec" Get 1st Win Of Grid Season

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The young coach can now get some rest. His worst fears were unfounded; his mission is complete. His journey can now commence:

Dean Vecchiarelli's Agawam High School football team won the game that they were supposed to win. In so doing, they avoided a possible winless season in Vecchiarelli's initial season at the helm.

After a 0-6 start this year, Agawam felt it could get the job done against Chicopee Comp on the road. The Colts were also winless and they had scored just three points all season.

Agawam watched as Comp self-destructed in the first half and used clutch play by quarterback Mike Briggs to bring home victory number one by a 12-0 score.

The Brownies have bedeviled themselves this season with penalties and turnovers. Last Friday night, Agawam kept the yellow flags and the violations to a minimum and capitalized on the ones they received to earn the win.

On a very cold night, both teams chose to run the football early in the ballgame. Comp fumbled twice in the first quarter and lost it once. They dodged the bullet when Agawam was unable to capitalize on a fourth and seven situation from the Comp 20 with 1:57 to go in the quarter.

Keith Hargis had recovered the fumble for Agawam at midfield and Hargis combined with Chris Roy and Todd Chamberlain to march downfield behind excellent offensive line blocking. Sebastian Anderson really made some fine blocks in the quarter.

Early in the second quarter, Roy set up Agawam's first score with an exciting 27-yard punt return. He caught the ball near the left sideline, worked his way across the field, cut up the middle, and nearly broke it. Agawam set up shop at the Comp 39.

Two plays later, Agawam faced a third down and 11 but received the first of two key penalties that would help sustain the drive. A Colt lineman was guilty of a headslap and the zebras walked off 15 against the home team. Agawam had a first down at the Comp 22.

With 6:06 to go, Agawam was at the 17 staring down the barrel of a fourth and five situation. Vecchiarelli called time and Briggs trotted over to get the all-important play selection.

It was a dandy. Agawam went on a long count and induced Comp to jump offsides. Another penalty, another first down. Actually, the offsides walkoff gave Agawam a fourth and inches situation which Roy converted by blasting off the right side. He rumbled all the way to the eight.

After Hargis plunged to the five on first down, Briggs did the rest himself. The junior QB rolled out right and sprinted for the flag. He went in untouched giving Agawam a 6-0 lead. The PAT was missed by Mike Sibilia, but Comp was again penalized on the play. This was for roughing Sibilia. Vecchiarelli decided to go for two, but Briggs overthrew Sibilia in the right corner of the end zone. Agawam led it 6-0.

Marco Trinchini had the hit of the game on the next series as the Agawam lineman annihilated Comp's Ed Rowell on a third and four play. On the ensuing play, Comp's punter fumbled a perfect snap from center to give Agawam the ball on the Comp 30.

Agawam had a chance to really build a nice lead. Briggs was blindsided on second down and 11 by Chris Dawson of the Colts, resulting in a ten-yard loss to kill the drive.

Comp started its final first half possession on its own eight with a minute and a half to go. Content to run out the clock, Vecchiarelli began to burn his timeouts and it worked for the Brownies. They forced a punt with :21 to play before intermission and Hargis went high in the air and blocked it. The ball rolled out of bounds at the eight, and Agawam had a couple more plays to build its cushion.

Briggs threw an incomplete pass on first down but rolled out right side again on second down. This time, some Comp defenders got in his path. As easy as his first touchdown was, this was the opposite. He outran one defender to the corner and then met up with another fellah at the four.

He faked them and went right and dove just inside the flag. He scored with :04 remaining on the clock. Brilliant play. Excellent athleticism. Agawam went up by two touchdowns, 12-0.

They missed the conversion again as Briggs missed Chamberlain on the right side of the end zone, but they did take their biggest lead of the year to the locker room.

The Brownies shortened the game by taking the second-half kickoff and burning six and half minutes of the clock. They moved from their own 33 to the Comp 29, exclusively on the ground. There was only 3:35 to go when the Colts finally got their hands on the pigskin.

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Despite Forfeiting All Games, Brownie Soccer Give Top-Ranked Ludlow Memorable Bout

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Staff

It didn't mean as much as it might have meant, but a most entertaining, competitive soccer match was played between Agawam High and Ludlow High in boys' soccer on Monday afternoon in Ludlow.

The Lions prevailed, 1-0, on a crisp, biting autumn afternoon at Franklin Field. The Brownies had upset Ludlow (4-2) earlier in the season in Agawam and the Lions hadn't taken another spill since.

Ludlow ended its campaign with only one loss and a top-seeded trip to the tournament. Ludlow's loss to Agawam was reversed to a victory due to the ineligibility of an Agawam player which was discovered following Agawam's win over Cathedral on October 19th.

Agawam played the final week of the campaign for pride and for its seniors. They dropped a game to Central on the heels of the "ineligible player" news from the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA). But when they lined up against Ludlow, it appeared "all systems go" for the Brownies.

News travelled fast among the Agawam faithful that a local attorney and town officials were looking into legal technicalities that may have allowed Agawam to participate in the tournament. That legal pow-wow was taking place at the same time as the game was played on Monday.

First things first. For Agawam, it had to win the soccer game to gain enough points to qualify for the tournament. When the edict was handed down, the Brownies lacked two points to qualify for the tourney. They still had to win another game to be considered eligible.

So the game went on. The first big opportunity of the match belonged to the Brownies. Todd Hyland moved swiftly up the left side and wallop a perfect cross to the front of the cage. The ball spun out to Matt Cipolla who lined one hard toward the goal. The ball rebounded hard off a Lion defender in front of the keeper and ricocheted far away.

Ludlow had the same play moments later. But theirs clicked. Frank Fortune lobbed a beautiful cross from deep in the right corner and Nuno Peresia was stationed precisely at the right spot. Peresia stood tall near

the far post and banged it home (easily) for the game winner. That was midway through the first period.

Dave Zielinski made a nice right wing rush and unselfish pass to set up an Agawam scare. That too went by the boards when Ben Ferris put a header on goal and the rebound was slashed wide right by Chris Mitchell.

Ludlow's Chris Cavallo dumped one on top of the cage behind Agawam goalie Brett Boskiewicz late in the half. Agawam's Eric Scheckler just missed converting a Hyland pooch off an indirect kick later on. At halftime the Lions held their 1-0 lead.

It was more of a crossing wind than anything else but the Brownies had more breeze behind them in the second period than in the first. Still, Ludlow had a couple of early corners and created a few anxious moments in front of the Agawam cage.

The biggest Brownie threat of half two came when Hyland fired a direct kick labeled for the top left corner. The Ludlow keeper jumped and batted it out to his right. Scheckler grabbed the loose ball and fired it right back. But the keeper speared it to end the threat.

Cavallo was away and heading in alone on Boskiewicz late in the game. But Derek Cassinghino caught him and kicked the ball away.

Agawam's final major bid came when John Battista whacked one that was destined to tuck itself inside the right post. But it didn't have enough steam on it and the goalie dove to make the play. He may not have needed to dive.

Emotions ran high near game's end as the season ground to its conclusive. The record book will forever say the Brownies were 0-17 on the 1990 season. But there will be a lot of us who will remember some very fine moments for the boys' soccer team of Dick Cowles.

They'll remember a quick dominant start as they took what the schedule-maker gave them. They might remember an excellent game with Longmeadow (which they lost). Certainly, we'll remember big wins at home vs. Ludlow and Cathedral.

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Rams Put End To Brownies' Bid For Turney Berth

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

A man showed up late last Thursday afternoon for the Agawam High-Southwick High field hockey game in Southwick. He wandered over to one of his friends and asked him how the game was going.

The friend replied, "We're up 4-0 but let me tell you it wasn't easy. Agawam has speed. They just don't have any scorers. Geez, they know what they're doing and they're so young. Give this team a year or two and they are going to be very tough."

So it went. Agawam needed two wins in its final two games to make the Western Mass. Tournament. The Brownies came up short by succumbing to the powerful Rams of Southwick, the top seeded team in the tournament, 5-0.

Early in this next to last regular season game, the Brownies has spit in the eye of the Southwick mystique. The Agawam teams of past and present have never beaten a Ram contingent in this sport.

Once again, Southwick High has no girls' soccer program. Thus, anyone interested has no where to go but girls' field hockey. Generally, coach Jim Vincent is loaded with talent.

This year was no different. Led by Amy Hosmer and Danielle Stelle, the Rams come at you time and again. The Brownies stickhandled shots away, made deflections and communicated very well on defense. That defensive effort started in goal with a determined Sherry Tetreault calling signals all day long. As long as the Rams continued to fire at will, the Brownies held them out on many opportunities.

Southwick plays the game only one way. Attack. They never let up. Hosmer is a beauty of a player who can stickhandle in traffic and has a cannon for a shot. She was in the middle of the action at 10:33. Her shot up the middle was deflected left off the cage. Karen Hale poked home the rebound for the game's first goal.

Agawam played even better for the next 15 minutes. Ann Maklary, Missy Parentela, and Sheila Martin each had offensive chances. Erika Vanderhoof, Rose Pignatari, and Trish Phelps slowed the Rams in midfield. With just a few minutes left in the half, Southwick only lead by just 1-0.

Still, Vincent's crew ballooned that advantage to 3-0 by the intermission. Christine Stone benefitted from another Hosmer set-up at 23:22 and Dee Laverdier scored on a super pass from Tracy Mead at 27:17.

Trailing 3-0 in that particular sport generally spells doom. This day was no different. Southwick tacked on two more in the second half for the good measure. Laverdier and Stone each tallied again for the unbeaten (and once tied) Rams.

Agawam plays one more time in a make-up game vs. Minnechaug at presstime. Prior to that game, the Brownies sport a 5-5 record. Last season, the Brownies won only once and tied six.

Coach Cindy Grieve commented on the Brownie season following the game in Southwick. "We did some real nice things today (and this year). We played super at times. But we play so sporadic. We're coming along."

BEAT COMP - from Page 54...

Comp never did move the football. Agawam generally picked up at least one first down per possession and the clock became their ally for the first time all season.

Late in the game, Agawam had its first bad penalty of the game. As Comp tried frantically to race downfield, a Brownie made a very late hit on the ballcarrier. That gave Chicopee comp a first down at the Agawam 18. There was 2:41 to go. Comp didn't get it in and Agawam took over on downs and ran out the clock.

Agawam won't go winless and that has to be a huge relief to the staff and players of the program.

The Point After... Good Night All Around For AHS Football

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

My sources tell me that Assistant Coach ERIC LUNDEN inhaled five McDonald's burgers after the Comp game. What in the world is this guy going to do if they beat Cathedral this weekend?...The crowd got a big kick out of one Comp coaching maneuver last Friday night. They called a time out with :02 to go in the first quarter. It was a most curious call...

Coach DEAN VECCHIARELLI told the *AAN* that "Comp played a mongrel defense and they really surprised us to some degree. They sent as many as eight guys at us all the time. I really didn't want to throw the ball with that kind of pressure against us."...Comp was saying good-bye to their seniors that night. As if their life hasn't been tough enough this year, Comp plays the rest of their games out on the road. That's three more quiet bus rides for those kids...

Vecchiarelli and Lunden were out scouting last Saturday. They saw Holyoke and West Springfield early and then they saw this week's opponent, Cathedral, throttle Minnechaug. Lunden expects Cathedral will try and overpower the Brownies...Quote from the Agawam cheerleaders in the fourth quarter of a freezing cold ballgame: "Turn on the heat, we can't be beat!"; and for the first time this season, they were right. Agawam was never in danger...

Got to see something very rare in the game. At the conclusion of the third quarter, the ball was sitting squarely at midfield. The referees didn't have to move one inch. The least they should have done is physically turn the pigskin around. Agawam had the ball and the Comp defense simply had to walk around the 50 and

dig in...

TODD CHAMBERLAIN and NICK LANGONE burst into the Comp backfield on one play in the third quarter and chased the Comp QB all the way back to the four-yard line before he fell to the turf. It was a loss of 19. Funny how the game goes, though; the Comp punter whacked a punt into the high winds, Agawam return man JON MAKI slipped, and the punt rolled dead at the Agawam 45. It was a fifty-one yard punt. Agawam had expected much better field position...

The first pass completion of the game was by Comp and it came at 6:56 to go in the fourth quarter. Agawam had actually completed a three-yard pass on their first touchdown drive, but it was wiped out on a very big Head Slap penalty on the Colts...

Spotter KEN COOK had three pairs of socks, thermal boots, two shirts, a winter jacket and hat, and a pair of mittens. He also came equipped with field glasses. He did a real good job Friday night. He should have; he missed both the Central and Minnechaug games. I was getting ready to take him off the payroll...

Vecchiarelli: "The kids were really happy after the game. They really had some fun in the bus. It's been really tough for them this year."...They had an opening on the chain gang Friday night, and I couldn't see LEO MALANSON anywhere over in Chicopee...

Agawam's last home game of the year will be at Harmon Smith Field at the High School this Friday night at 7:00 p.m. versus Cathedral. They finish this year at Greenfield (November 10th) and then travel to West Side to renew the rivalry on Thanksgiving...

Agawam Joins National Coaches Association

Agawam is pleased to announce its being accepted as a new member of the National Youth Coaches Association (N.Y.S.C.A.) This organization is strong nationwide as well as its establishment in many of our surrounding communities. The program brings a direct link between school-community sports. The mission of the N.Y.S.C.A. is to better sports for the children in the community. The need for new informative ways of coaching and relating to young athletes is always a high priority.

Our Agawam chapter of the N.Y.S.C.A. was established during the early fall. It is sponsored by the Agawam School Department, Agawam D.A.R.E. program, and Agawam Park and Recreation. The Chapter Director is Lou Conte.

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The annual certification fee is \$15. The Agawam D.A.R.E. program has agreed to pay for the first year certification fee for all coaches who complete this program. The certification will go according to the sport the coach is involved with. The program being covered first will be basketball.

All meetings will be held at the Agawam Middle School cafeteria. If there is anyone who is interested but unable to attend, we can schedule a make-up time. If there are any questions, please contact Lou Conte, 786-7729. The meeting dates are Saturday, November 10th, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., and Saturday, November 17th, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., in the Agawam Middle School cafeteria.



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— By Bill Chiba —



Deer With A Bow

Bowhunting should be a simple sport today compared to the past (when we novices were first taking hunting with the bow and arrow seriously).

The invention of the compound bow certainly has made the shooting the bow much easier instead of hunting with the straight yew bow or the recurve. The compound bow has simplified the shooting of an arrow, has increased the speed of the arrow, thus making it enjoyable for more novices to shoot tournaments and bowhunting.

Then along came the idea of shooting a deer from a tree stand. It eliminated years of learning on the archer's part. He does not have to worry about the deer seeing him, hearing him, or smelling him, the three senses that a deer survives by.

Dozens of new publications dealing strictly with bow hunting have materialized over the past decade. Many stories are full of successful deer hunts by archers who used deer lore expressed by others.

In a restaurant one early morning during the bow season, several bow hunters were discussing bowhunting and one very interesting individual seemed to know about all the very fine points of hunting

a deer.

I was impressed as I heard him answer question after question from the young hunters. The crowd of young archers left and the learned bowhunter remained for another cup of coffee. He sat next to me at the counter. I remarked about how he knew his stuff about bowhunting and he must have a million stories to tell.

He came back with a retort that nearly floored me. "I do a lot of reading and one of these days I'm going to bag a prize deer," he stated. There is no doubt in my mind that he will do just that. A person who can read and digest what he reads can accomplish what he has set out to do in life. It has happened over and over again in this life by successful people in many fields.

Practical experience is the best teacher in the long run. An episode that happened a few years back was brought to mind as I got deeper into the above writing.

It was the last day of bow season in Massachusetts and I had not been successful for many reasons that I won't go into. However, I was on my way home when I remembered an area that showed promising sign of a large buck before the season began.

It was mid-day when I reached the wooded area dotted with wild apple trees and pine trees (that were intermingled with hardwoods). I didn't see any cars in the area. So you can imagine my surprise when I spotted a young fellow running directly at me with a funny expression on his face. It looks like somebody is going to give me hell, I thought, I must have spooked his deer. He came up on me in no time. I was sitting down on a stump having a cup of tea and a sandwich.

"I just hit a large deer and I'm going to get my buddy to help me find it," he stated between breaths. "Sit down and have a cup of tea and tell me all about it; you will have to wait for 30 or more minutes before trying to take up its trail. Leave your buddy alone and he can

finish his hunting. I'll help you find the deer," I volunteered.

It was the longest 30 minutes he ever sat. "It is the first deer I have ever shot. I hope we can find it," he moaned. "If you hit it like you said, we will find the deer," I told him.

Hitting the deer is quite a feat but not as rough as the task after the deer has been hit and runs off into the woods. This young fellow had a lot to learn. I made a small circle around his tree stand for he wasn't quite sure which way the deer had run off. I found blood sign and said nothing until he found some. A good 10 minutes had passed before his discovery.

Then came the warning from me. "Don't walk over the deer sign; keep to the side in case you have to backtrack if the blood sign runs out."

It was good sign. He had hit the deer in a vital area and it was about 50 yards when we found the deer lying in a thick bush of laurel. "Now the work begins. Get out your knife and start cleaning the animal." His jaw drooped. "I never have cleaned an animal before." "A stranger showed me on my first deer and I'm going to show you," I replied.

He was all eyes and I made him roll up his sleeves and help me dress out the deer. He did well but he would have cut himself if I had just directed instead of doing the cutting myself. He was that tight. I showed him how to cross the front legs over the neck and tie the rope in a way that kept the hoofs up off the ground. He grabbed hold of the rope, thanked me for my assistance, and called over his shoulder as he dragged the doe (it was so fast I swear it was floating off the ground), "I can't wait to show the deer to my buddy and my mother when I get home."

My family razed me when I told them I was going to get a deer with a bow. It is a fond memory.

Riverside Speedway Seeks New Employees

"It's another first as Riverside Park Speedway's Director of Racing Ben Dodge, Jr. is looking to hire several new people to work as a part of the 1991 Winston Racing Series. This does not mean we are planning a layoff of our regular workers; it means we are looking to expand and rebuild to make a better program for 1991," said Dodge.

Because Riverside Park Speedway is going to offer four divisions in 1991, it will need additional workers. These positions range from inspectors, pit stewards, scorers, scoreboard operators, ticket takers, pit sellers, announcers, starters, and many more.

Please realize that these positions are not high paying, and some are based on volunteer work. Some positions require a NASCAR license and training in EMT requirements.

These jobs will directly be a part of the 1991 Winston Racing Series that begins on March 23rd, 1991. Four Divisions of racing will be formatted starting at 6:00 p.m., with the pits opening at 12:00 noon. Action for the Strictly heats start at 4:00 p.m.

"I realize that this is out of the ordinary for a race track to send out an open invitation for workers, so many times people that work in racing go from one track to another. They can bring good habits or bad," said Dodge. "I want to see what type of interest is out there. I think desire is the most important thing. After all, if someone didn't give me this type of chance, I would probably be doing something else right now," Dodge said.

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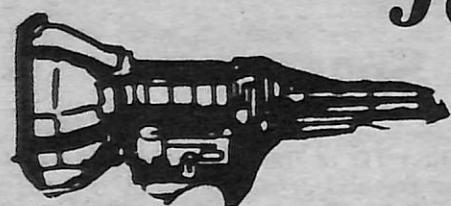
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THE UNDEFEATED AND UNTIED Agawam Youth Football Junior Team (8-0). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Ag. Jr. Grid Team Completes Undefeated Season

The Agawam Youth Football Junior Team ended its season last Sunday with a 22-0 victory over the South Hadley Tigers. With Sunday's win, the Warriors finished the season not only as champions of their division, but also as undefeated and untied (8-0).

Agawam has been in the Suburban Football League just two years and had only one victory in 1989.

Agawam started the game in fine fashion by driving to the South Hadley one yard line. But the home team dug in and took over on downs. South Hadley's first play from scrimmage result in a two-point safety. Bryan Menard cut down the runner in the end zone to

give the Warriors a 2-0 lead.

Agawam retained possession of the ball and once again drove deep into South Hadley territory. They scored the game's first touchdown on a nice power run by Chris Bednarsek. Phil McGeoghan scored the conversion and Agawam had a quick 10-0 lead.

Agawam's defense took over as South Hadley could muster no threat in the quarter. In the second quarter Agawam up the field thanks to the fine offensive blocking of Bryan Menard, Chris Olson, Adam Kimball, Frank Andruss, and Jamie Busio.

Jared Chionciola scored from five yards out and the

Warriors led 16-0 as the extra points attempt was stopped.

Defense again was the key for the Warriors as Josh Kelleher stepped in front of an errant South Hadley pass and ran 40 yards for the score. This finished the scoring for the day.

In the final quarter, South Hadley's drive was ended as Kevin Hill recovered a fumble to end the contest. Having good games for Agawam were Frank Bruno, Steve Virella, Kevin Perrault, Shawn Collins, Nick Christy, Jason Cogswell, Scott Campion, Mike Leone, and Mike Mangano.

Ag. Sr. Football Blast South Hadley To End Season

The Agawam Youth Senior Football Team used a balanced offense and a devastating defense to blank the South Hadley Tigers, 28-0, last Sunday in their final game of the season.

Agawam had rapped up the division crown the previous week by defeating Wilbraham.

In this contest vs. South Hadley, it was all Agawam as SH fumbled on its first possession. Recovering the fumble was Jason Votzakis. Agawam capitalized on the misue when Bob Magistri ran up the middle and eluded all tacklers en route to a nice 35-yard touchdown. Quarterback Tom Bobrowski was stopped on the conversion and Agawam led, 6-0.

Defensively, Agawam was very tough as Matt Disco,

Jeff Thomas, and Votzakis hammered at South Hadley throughout the contest. This trio gave the SH backfield fits all day and also gave Agawam's offense great field position.

The Warriors scored again when Magistri ran wild on a 40-yard scamper (up the middle) behind some great offensive blocking. The two-point conversion was good and Agawam had a 14-0 lead. Agawam closed out the scoring in the first half as Joe Dilizia put on a running clinic with a nice 54-yard burst around right end. The conversion was good as Bobrowski fliped a nice pass to Dan Bodmen for the 22-0 lead.

In the second half changes were evident as Dom

Pisano led the club at quarterback and Joe Albano scored his first TD of the season on a nice 24-yard burst around the end. It was set-up by a great block from Chad Gilbert. The conversion attempt was stopped and Agawam now led 28-0.

Having good games for the Warriors was Josh Lightcap, who also made a key block in the contest; Dan Lancour, who had a nice interception; and Shawn Anderson, Mark Guillmett, Matt Bryant, James Hollins, and Bobrowski (who also played defense and had a nice interception).

Also enjoying good afternoons on the field were Chris Theriaque, Bill Douglas, Bob Burke, Jason Lafleur, Mike Poth, Jason Rossi, and Kevin Gaffney.

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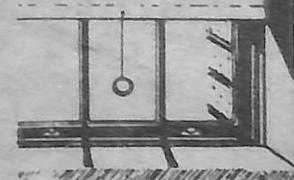


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Bob Johnson On Sports...

Remembering "Hawk Harrelson" & "Dewey Evans"

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

I've never really enjoyed Red Sox baseball on television since the colorful Ken "Hawk" Harrelson left for ChiTown. The former slugger always had his quick wit and a ready anecdote. He worked so well with Ned Martin.

Those days are gone and I sometimes miss them. I remember one late September night when the Red Sox were playing out the string. The Brewers or the Twins or someone was in town to face the Sox. Both teams had all their September 1st call-ups littering the field, and the visitors had a big, strapping rookie throwing the damndest hooks up to the plate.

Harrelson said something to the effect that he "hadn't seen a curve ball like that since Camilio Pascual was pitching in the American League." The rest of the story went something like this:

Martin: "How did you fare against him, Hawk?"

Hawk: "Awful, Nedly. I couldn't hit him if you gave me a canoe paddle. He was one tough hombre. I remember one night we played him in a big game. I whiffed my first three times up. I was down in the locker room praying that I wouldn't have to face him again. Sure enough, we get a couple guys on in the ninth and I'm due up. We're trailing by two runs and the crowd wants to see me win it with a homer. I don't even want to try against Pascual."

"I go up to the manager and plead with him to pinch hit for me. I tell him to put up a left-hander who would have a better chance, but he wouldn't listen."

Martin: "So what happened?"

Hawk: "I took three and grabbed some bench..."

I loved that story. A humble jock. Better yet, a successful jock who was humble. I told that story at work, at school, at bars, and gathering places all over Boston and the vicinity.

One night, I was sitting in Fenway Park. My girlfriend (now my wife) and I met another fellow and his girl several rows behind home plate. The guy kept letting me (and everyone else within earshot) know that Dwight Evans was a stiff. This was the fall of 1980.

I barked back at him time and again. Pretty soon, I had him calmed down and he was listening to reason. I explained to him that Evans was hitting seventh in the order, hitting occasional homers, driving in runs regularly, and playing the best rightfield in the Major Leagues. The guy figured that I must have known what I was talking about, so he cooled out for a while.

He introduced his girl to my girl and we had a nice time. In the fourth, Dewey struck out for the second time in the game. "See what I mean?" the guy asks, then adds, "He stinks." He wasn't talking nearly as loud.

I told him my Hawk and Nedly story and we had another hot dog and beer. His girlfriend roared when I told the story. Then she asked what "take three and grab some bench" meant. I explained it slowly and she laughed again, maybe louder. I guess you had to be there.

This story is going somewhere. And somewhere took us into the bottom of the eighth. The Sox were trailing 3-1 when Evans strode to the plate with two guys on base. He hit the first pitch about 450 feet on a line into the centerfield bleachers. As expected, our hero was the first person in Fenway Park to reach his feet. He had the loudest cheer and the loudest whistle. He was in hog heaven. I should have guessed.

What I couldn't have guessed was that his girlfriend would tap him on the shoulder and say very seriously to him, "Hey, grab some bench!" It was hysterical, and one of the timeliest remarks I had ever heard. What

could the guy say? He had made his bed and now he had to sleep in it. I bet the guy is the biggest Dwight Evans fan ever these days.

What not too many knew at that time is that Dwight Evans was on the rise. He had been working tirelessly with Walt Hriniak, the Sox's hitting instructor, and he was to become one of the most consistent and productive offensive players in the league for a decade to come.

The Red Sox asked Evans to "grab some bench" last week for the last time. They chose not to renew his contract. After all those years, and all those accomplishments, Dewey will no longer be a fixture in Boston.

He was a fine, fine player. He leaves the game—if he in fact leaves the active rolls—as the game's active home run champion. I think he wanted to hit 400

homers, but he probably won't be able to do it now.

Most of us will remember his throws that came to the plate so low and so straight that you could hang clothes on them. We'll remember dramatic extra inning homers and clutch doubles off the wall.

We'll remember that he, like Yaz before him, changed his batting stance about three trillion times. We'll remember his catch off Joe Morgan in the '75 Series. We'll remember going to the ballpark and screaming "DEWEY DEWEY."

And now, hopefully, you'll remember how he made a fan "Grab Some Bench" in Fenway Park.

He always looked so good, so perfect. He never seemed to age. Outside of those graying temples, his body looked like that of a 22 year-old kid.

There will be many times next season when we'll wish that the Red Sox brass didn't say "GO DEWEY."



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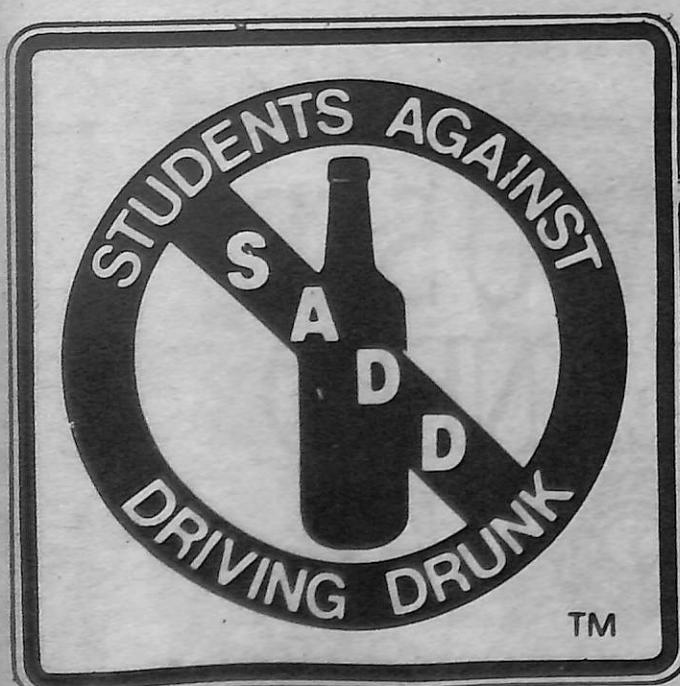
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Bob Johnson On Sports...

Like Red Sox, A's Can Break Hearts

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Wondering this week if some talk show host or columnist has told Oakland A's fans that if they don't like it, then they should move to Seattle.

After all, the A's are losers. Losers with a capital "L." Any time the Red Sox lose, the fans are told that they are always welcome in Cleveland, aren't they? I believe that I've used the words myself. I've used them in private with my friends; in print to the readers; and in the sanctity of the broadcast studio for anyone within earshot.

East Coast Dumping Grounds: Cleveland. West Coast Dumping Grounds: Seattle? Could be.

I don't know how anybody could possibly still be an A's fan. Two out of three years now, they have blown the World Series. They obviously had the best team, the best power, the best speed, the best pitching, the best relief corps, and the best manager. There is no way that they could have possibly lost.

It is time to shake up the A's. The only time that they have gotten the Ring in recent years was during an earthquake when nobody was watching. San Francisco would surely have beaten them last year had it not been for the quake.

All the A's have done for their fans is break their hearts. Just set them up and let them down. These guys make millions and they can't do anything in the clutch. When was the last time DAVE STEWART won a ballgame that meant something? Sure, he can pitch fine in the playoffs, but put him in a World Series and he isn't worth the powder and lead that it would take to blow him to kingdom come. That guy can't even win a Cy Young Award. What good is he?

Bob Welch. What a joke. Twenty-seven wins this year. Mike Torrez could win 27 with that club. All they had was those two pitchers anyway. Beat Stewart and Welch and it's all over, baby. They were a two-pitcher rotation. Sanderson and Moore — another joke.

Eckersley? Yeah, you had to know that he would stink up the joint in the Series. Give him one lousy chance and he blows it. What was that rhetoric? The basehit that won Game Two would have been a double play in Oakland. Yeah, right; will somebody tell Dennis that they were playing on the turf in Cincinnati? And how about the gopher he gave up to a limping Kirk Gibson in '88? He has to learn to get the ball down in pressure situations. They should have kept Plunk and Cadaret. There are a couple of guys who could get people out when it counted.

Rickey Henderson played great. He got some hits and he hit a homer. Still, he didn't ignite the A's during the Series. Reggie Jackson, he's not. Did all his damage when it really didn't matter. That homer shaved an 8-2 lead to 8-3. Shades of Jim Rice, I suppose.

And how about Mr. Bucks, Jose Canseco. What a stiff. One lousy opposite field homer (and a solo one at that). He just goes for stats. Who cares how long his homers go? Cecil Fielder hits 'em just as far and he hits more of them. Besides, you can sign Cecil without showing him the crown jewels first. Canseco is a media ripoff.

McGwire, Lansford, Steinbach? Bunch of extra baggage; get rid of them. Get some exciting young guys in there who want to play some ball. And LaRussa, what a waste of a uniform? Somebody ought to burn up all of his books and computers.

It was obvious how successful they were. The Reds broke every rule in the book and could be seen laughing at LaRussa's foolhardy strategy. He ought to go back to being a lawyer because he'll never make it as a baseball man. Give me Don Zimmer any time.

The A's stink. I doubt that they'll ever win in my lifetime. I don't think that I'll follow them next year. All they want is the money.

Sound familiar? Does that sound familiar? It may interest you to know that each and every one of these paragraphs has been uttered by an angry, disappointed, frustrated, and ardent A's fan.

What have you done for me lately? It happens in every city. No team is spared. Only the Reds got away unscathed this year. And next year, we'll beat down those turnstiles to another record tune and it'll take seven months, but we'll find out where that parade will be next year.

I say Kansas City will win it all next year. The A's certainly have no shot. They are losers! Losers, just like the Red Sox. It's almost like the words "Division Winning Red Sox" or "Pennant Winning A's" don't mean anything.

Hail to the "World Series Champion Reds."

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PARENTS SUPPORTING the Agawam High School football team gathered for a benefit dance at the Dante Club recently. Pictured above, from left, are Diane Godek, Ted McKay, Nancy Pryce, and Rose Brigs. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ONE MEAN BROWNIE: Agawam High Gridiron Moms Annette Roy, Becky Hargis, and Donna McKay show-off the team's new mascot at the recent dance at the Dante Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Villanova Overtakes St. Mike's For Lead As Tri-Parish Bowlers Go To Round One Wire

With only two weeks remaining in Round One of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League, things have tightened off dramatically as frontrunner St. Michael's (2nd place-23½ wins) is now trailing first place Villanova (23½ wins) in pinfall. Also closing fast is third place St. Anselm (21½ wins).

In one of the key matches in week nine, Villanova took three wins from St. Anselm. Winning for Villanova were KIM ALLEN (283-very strong leadoff score) and the big story of this match was a magnificent 365 by captain "Jungle" JIM BURLINGHAM. Ole "Jungle Jim" left St. A's captain BRIAN OSBORNE stuck in the bog (318). Osborne really wasn't sure what hit him.

Actually, St. A's received a good night on the lanes from second roller "Steady" EDDIE GALLERANI (324-new Men's Class B high; he also leads that division in rolling at 94.3), and third roller VI MASSOIA (292-95.2 average-third in Women's Class AAA). "Jungle Jim," by the way, hit a new high single in Men's Class AAA with a 154. He now sports a lofty average of 105.23, good for second place.

St. Michael split with 8th place Catholic University (16½ wins), two wins each and this cost them first place. St. Mike's winners were AUDREY PHILLIPS (280) and TONY "I'm Not A Captain" KOZAK (289). The two CU winners were JIM SNYDER (267) and captain RICH SNYDER, Jim's brother (315). St. Mike's veteran captain, FRED MORASSI, stumbled this week with a 299, and third roller RENEE JURY could muster only a pop-gun 254.

Notre Dame crawled into fourth place (20½ wins) by getting out the broom and sweeping ninth place St. Mary (15 wins). It was a long night for St. Mary's. ND winners were PAT RESCIGNO (232), TOM "Timber" BURR (272), ANN O'CONNELL (296), and captain FRANK "The Tank" MOCCIO, who really used the whip to erase St. Mary captain JOHN PROVOST, 339-298. Moccio is now in second place in the Men's Open Class (111.2), while Provost is in third at 107.17. CAROLINE COELLN, despite her so-so 265 for St. Mary, still leads the Women's Class AA in rolling at 94.19. Watch out for ND if Ann O'Connell and "The Tank" begin to roll.

Last year's grand champs, Fordham, sit in fifth place with 20 wins after splitting with 7th place Holy Cross (18 wins). It doesn't look like Fordham has the horses

to win Round One, and will attempt to take the Round Two title to get back into the Grand Championships.

Fordham winners were STELLA BARBARI (265-264 over LISA ALLEN) and third roller JOHN MLINEK (297). HC winners were college guy JOHN LONCRINI (291-best night in quite a spell), and captain LARRY VIENS, who really took no prisoners in ripping Fordham captain OLLIE MULDREW, 360-310. Viens, by the way, is now at 107.5 and leads the Men's Class AA in rolling. Look for this guy to move up a division or two next year.

Sixth place St. Louis (19 wins) kept Georgetown in the cellar (11 wins) with a four-game sweep. The big broom. St. Lou winners were JEAN BUONICONTI (311), PAUL LAGODITZ (280), and high flying captain LOU MULDREW, the leading roller in Men's Class AAA (358-106.21). Muldrew dropped the top ladies roller in the league, DEBBIE POIRIER, who has been struggling in recent weeks (316-106.11). The only GT winner was Debbie's mom, VENETTA SNYDER (290) that was the only thing G-Town could crow about.

In the final match of the night, Boston College (11th place-13 wins), desperately trying to stay out of the cellar, belted, 10th place Loyola (14½ wins), three wins to one.

BC winners were MISSY BARR (233), KATHY BURLINGHAM (279), and captain JOHN "The Hammer" O'CONNELL, who really blasted the lanes from all angles with a torrid 399. That broke "The Hammer's" previous high triple of 390. He now sports an average of 118, to lead the Men's Open Class as well as the entire league. Watching the pins drop on O'Connell's alley was none other than Loyola captain STEVE ROVITHIS (318), who was really overmatched in this one.

The only Loyola winner was CHRIS BUKOWSKI, 257-256 over JANICE MOCCIO. One has to wonder why BC, with rollers such as "The Hammer" and Kathy Burlingham, are barely out of last place. This is another team to watch if they suddenly get hot, especially in Round Two.

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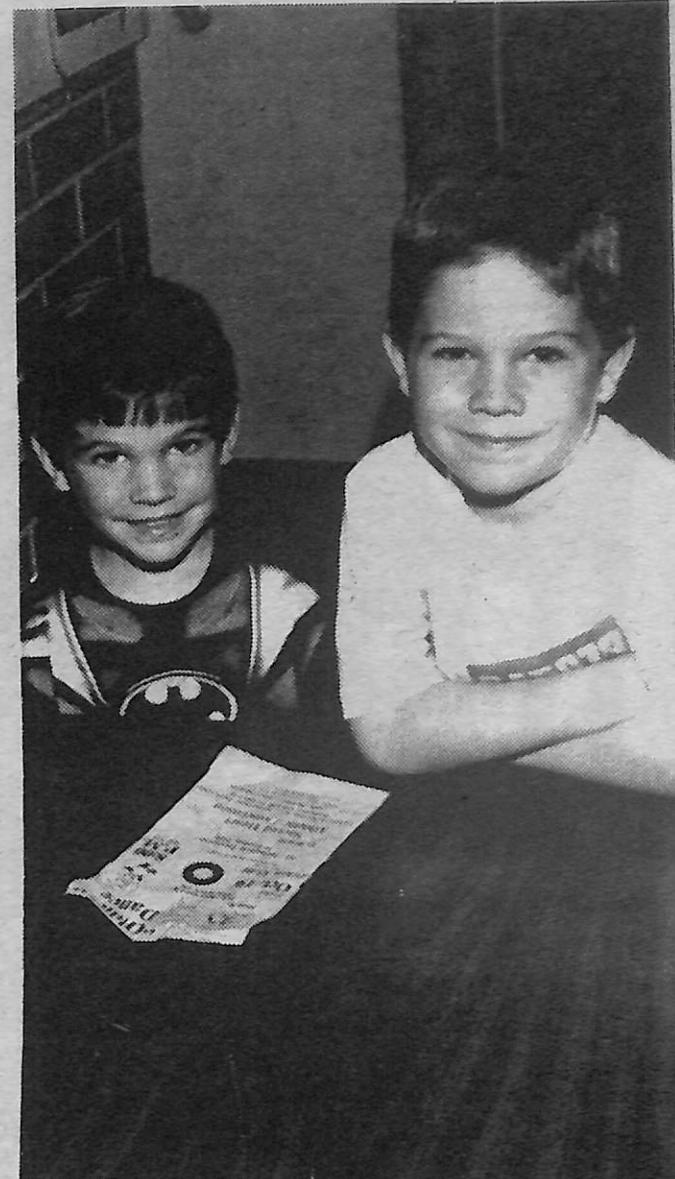
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MICHAEL & JOHN LYNCH sign-up for baseball in the Sacred Heart Athletic Association. The spring/summer season opens in the spring. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Sports A La Carte...

Foreman Will KO Hollyfield; End Of Rex?

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

One of the men who watched the BUSTER DOUGLAS-EVANDER HOLYFIELD fight with me was most excited following the fight. Seconds after the third round Holyfield KO, he hollered, "You fat bag, Douglas! 246 pounds, you fat bag! Why didn't you train for the fight, you stiff?" There was more to follow; that's not important.

I do find his words important, though. He sums up the feelings of many fight fans following the bout. It cost \$35.00 to get the fight pumped through your television set on Pay-Per-View—or a little more than \$11.50 per round to watch it. That is what seems fashionable these days. You must figure out what everybody makes per round, per at-bat, per pass attempt.

For instance, Buster made approximately \$7.5 million per round or \$3 million per minute or whatever. And like so many before him, he'll be remembered for losing his title without a fight. I find a large problem with that.

I will remember him (and I do feel that he is done, absolutely finished) because he knocked out the man who couldn't be knocked out. While relatively few watched it live on HBO, Buster Douglas became a household word. Folks will argue that MIKE TYSON did not get in shape and looked past the fight and wasn't in the proper frame of mind and so on and so forth.

The fact remains that Douglas did get ready that night and overcame huge personal difficulties (death in his family, his wife left him, sickness) and came out and did his job. He is not a finely-tuned machine; he doesn't look as good as Holyfield or Tyson or FRANK BRUNO for that matter, but he had a puncher's chance and he took advantage.

He is (or at least should be) set up financially for many lifetimes and he put Columbus, Ohio, on the map. Besides, I wanted Holyfield to win anyway!

Oh, by the way, GEORGE FOREMAN is going to knock out Holyfield, mark my words. Laugh now, wait 'til April. Foreman owes me for the losses I took one night in Zaire about 16 years ago...

Roll Tide. Despite all the losses this season, the University of Alabama has a most amazing statistic still intact. That team is 29 for 29 on third and one and fourth and one. Now, you tell me how you can lose even one football game when you can have four downs to get a first down. It doesn't make sense, yet they will have to struggle like crazy to go 6-5 on the year...

How about GASTON GREEN'S kickoff return for the Rams with all your Rowdy Friends on Monday night? For those that didn't see it, Green took the game's opening kickoff 100 yards for the touchdown. Big deal, you say. Now, think about the Pittsburgh Steelers and what they conjure up for an image. Rough, tough, hard-to-bluff defensive maniacs, right?

Think JACK LAMBERT, ERNIE HOLMES, and MEAN JOE GREENE. The amazing thing about

Green's runback was that it was in Pittsburgh, it was the first play of the game right after the fire-and-brimstone locker room chat, and he WAS NEVER TOUCHED!! No one Steeler laid a glove on him and he ran it up the left hashmark, basically in the middle of the field! The Steelers were so ashamed that they ran up 41 points and pounded Los Angeles to a pulp...

It was 10 years ago this week when former Cardinal quarterback NEIL LOMAX fired eight touchdown passes in one game in college. And he didn't even play for BYU! His Portland State team beat Delaware State 105-0. Did they run it up? Not really, since Lomax only played for seven minutes and 28 seconds! Imagine that—Delaware State fumbled 16 times in the game and Lomax got opportunity after opportunity. He threw seven TD's in the first period! He ran for another TD that day, too!

Was it something in the air? Maybe it was because on the same day (November 8th, 1980), Purdue's MARK HERRMANN threw for 439 yards; Illinois QB DAVE WILSON passed for 621 against Ohio State; Duke's BEN BENNETT fired 469 yards' worth of footballs through the air; and JIM MCMAHON had 464 for BYU. Who says that you have to run to set up the pass?...

The Pittsburgh Pirates general manager says that 20 percent of their NL East Division Championship team will be gone by next year. Interesting...MICHAEL NUNN is now 36-0 after stopping DONALD CURRY last week in Paris. He is supposed to be excellent. I've only seen him once and I really didn't think so...

Would it surprise you if I told you that LARRY BIRD was ninth all-time in scoring average in the NBA? It surprised me when I read it. His 24.9 puts him two-tenths of a point behind GEORGE "ICE MAN" GERVIN, who holds the eighth slot all-time. One through seven read like this: MICHAEL JORDAN, WILT CHAMBERLAIN, ELGIN BAYLOR, JERRY WEST, BOB PETTIT, DOMINIQUE WILKINS, and OSCAR ROBINSON. KARL MALONE of the Jazz is the 10th all-time scoring average leader...

Word is that the Hornets of Charlotte are absolutely fed up with REX CHAPMAN. They will listen to any deal...Looking through the Baseball Record Book again the other day netted me something that made me chuckle. The Orioles played in the ALCS in 1969, 1970, and 1971, and in each of those years a guy by the name of JOHN W. POWELL homered in each year. You call him John W. and I'll call him Boog, and he scared every Red Sox fan everywhere when he was in his prime...

Every baseball general manager will be looking to strengthen his team now that it is the off-season, and many young and veteran players will be sweating out trades. JOE GARAGIOLA offers a few words on being traded: "It is like celebrating your hundredth birthday. It might not be the happiest occasion in the world, but consider the alternatives..."

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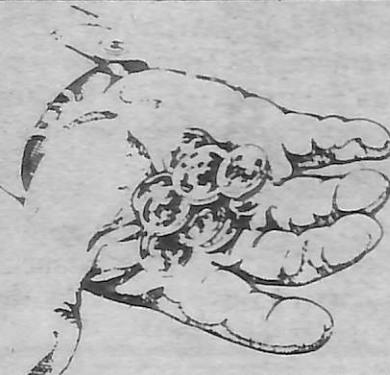
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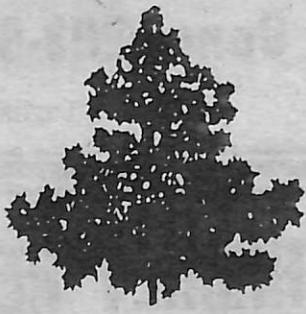
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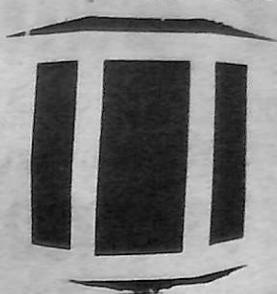
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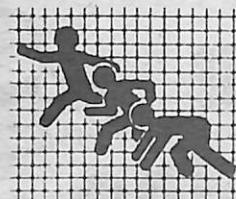
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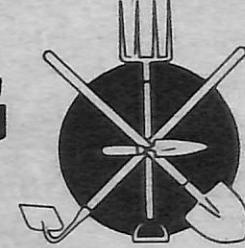
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